



PROCEEDINGS
OF GRAND
CHAPTER OF
ROYAL ARCH
MASONS OF
ALBERTA
1919



MASONIC CALENDAR

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world calling it *Anno Lucis* (A.L.), "In the Year of Light."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, *Anno Inventionis* (A.I.), "In the Year of the Discovery."

SCOTTISH RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, *Anno Mundi* (A.M.), "In the Year of the World."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, *Anno Depositionis* (A. Dep.), "In the Year of the Deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their order, *Anno Ordinis* (A.O.), "In the Year of the Order."

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS.—Add 4,000 years to the common era; thus, 1919 and 4,000—5919.

ROYAL ARCH.—Add 530 years to the Vulgar era; thus, 1919 and 530—2449

SCOTTISH RITE.—Add 3,760 to the common era; thus, 1919 and 3,760—5619
After September add another year.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.—Add 1,000 years to the common era; thus 1919 and 1,000—2919

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.—From the Christian era take 1,118; thus, 1,118 from 1919—801.

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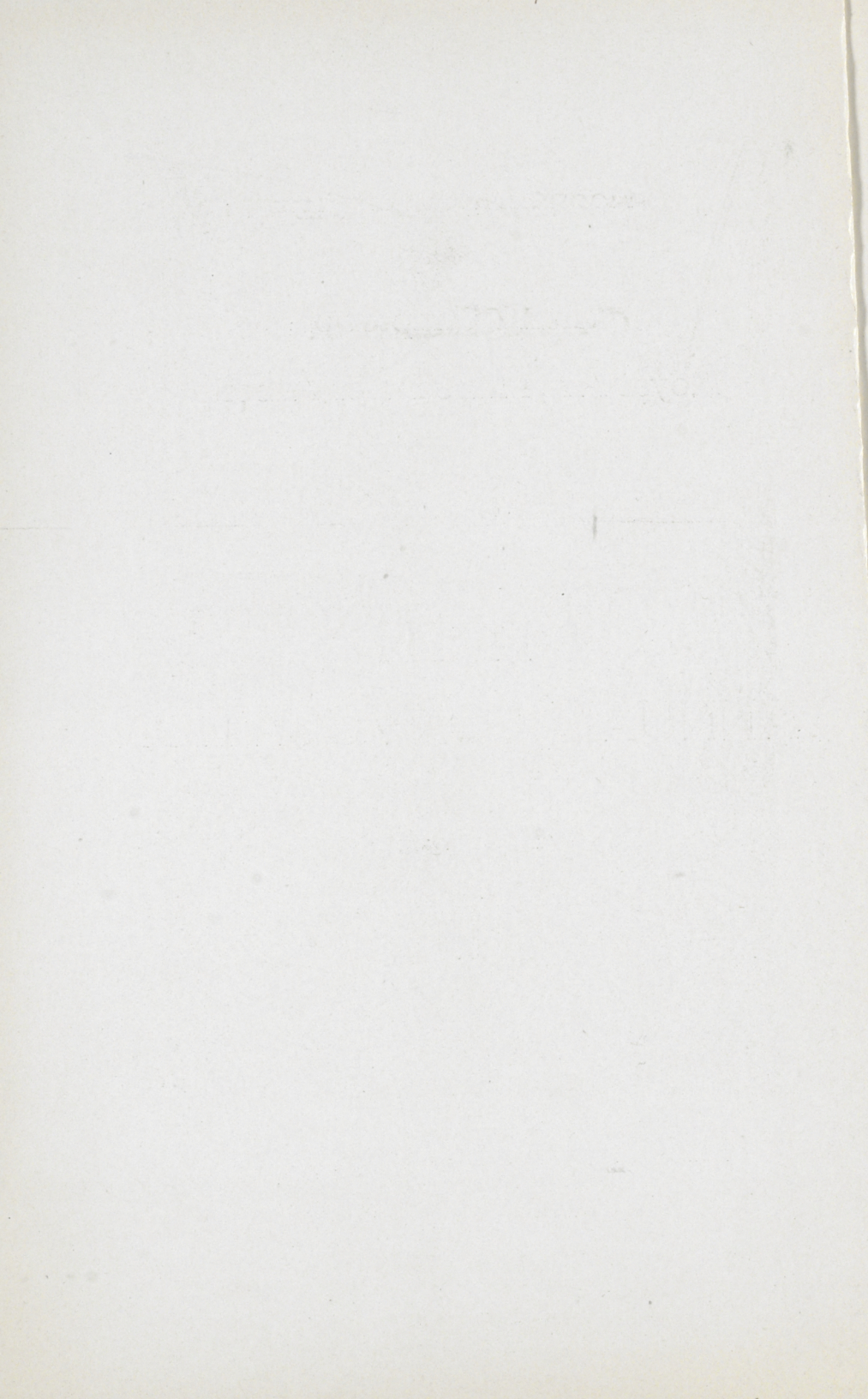
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MARCH 12th, 1919





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Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta

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Minutes of the Proceedings of the Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta, held in the City of Red Deer, Province of Alberta, on the 12th day of March, A.D. 1919, A.I., 2449.

PRESENT

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| M.E. Comp. Andrew R. Dickson..... | Grand Z | } Grand Council |
| R.E. Comp. Melvin M. Downey..... | Grand H | |
| R.E. Comp. Norman T. MacLeod..... | Grand J | |
| R.E. Comp. John E. Johnson..... | Grand Scribe E. | |
| R.E. Comp. Peter J. Dewie..... | Grand Scribe N. | |
| R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote..... | Grand Prin. Sojourner. | |
| R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood..... | Supt. 2nd Masonic District | |
| R.E. Comp. J. F. Casteel..... | Supt. 3rd Masonic District | |
| V.E. Comp. Jesse Elliott..... | Grand Senior Sojourner | |
| V.E. Comp. J. A. R. Powell..... | Grand Junior Sojourner | |
| R.E. Comp. J. H. Argue..... | Grand Lecturer | |

Past Grand First Principals

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| M.E. Comp. Stephen Y. Taylor..... | 1914 |
| M.E. Comp. James N. Rankin..... | 1915 |
| M.E. Comp. Fred S. Watson..... | 1916 |

Grand Representatives Present

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| R.E. Comp. P. J. Dewie..... | Arizona |
| M.E. Comp. F. S. Watson..... | Canada |
| M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor..... | Florida |
| R.E. Comp. E. C. Dunlop..... | Illinois |
| R.E. Comp. W. E. Lord..... | Indiana |
| M.E. Comp. J. N. Rankin..... | Iowa |
| R.E. Comp. John E. Johnson..... | Louisiana |
| R.E. Comp. Fred S. Selwood..... | Maine |
| R.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer..... | Maryland |
| R.E. Comp. Jesse Elliott..... | New Hampshire |
| R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote..... | New Jersey |
| R.E. Comp. Jos. H. Argue..... | New York |
| R.E. Comp. J. F. Casteel..... | North Carolina |
| R.E. Comp. H. Darling..... | Ohio |
| R.E. Comp. Arthur Hayr..... | Oklahoma |
| R.E. Comp. Norman T. MacLeod..... | Tennessee |
| V.E. Comp. R. C. MacDonald..... | Texas |
| M.E. Comp. Melvin M. Downey..... | Vermont |
| V.E. Comp. David McIntosh..... | Victoria |
| V.E. Comp. J. A. R. Powell..... | Mississippi |

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the Fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta was opened in AMPLE FORM at 10 o'clock a.m.

R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote from the Committee on Credentials of Representatives, reported that there are twenty warranted Chapters on the roll of the Grand Chapter, eighteen of which were represented. The following representatives were present:

Alberta No. 1—Calgary

M.E. Comp. J. N. Rankin; R.E. Comp's. M. M. Downey, F. S. Selwood; Ex-Comp. E. F. Doolan, Z.

North Star No. 2—Edmonton

M.E. Comp. F. S. Watson; Ex. Comp's. F. J. Follensbee, Z, J. N. C. Hill, H., P. R. Campbell, J.; R. E. Comp. H. Darling; V. Ex. Comp's. G. B. McLeod, J. A. R. Powell, R. C. MacDonald, W. A. Mahaffy.

Assiniboia No. 3.—Medicine Hat

R.E. Comp. Jesse Elliott; Ex. Comp. Sam T. Fawcett, Z.

Shekinah No. 4—Lethbridge

R.E. Comp. N. T. MacLeod; V. Ex. Comp. A. Hayr; Ex. Comp. J. E. Rannard, Z

Golden West No. 5—High River

R.E. Comp's. P. J. Dewie, J. F. Casteel; Ex. Comp. J. H. Green, Z.

Mount Horeb No. 6—Wetaskiwin

M.E. Comp. A. R. Dickson; V. Ex. Comp. G. D. Wallace; Ex. Comp. R. W. Manley, Z.

Kether No. 8—Pincher Creek

Ex. Comp. H. D. McMillan, Z.

Otuskwaw No. 9—Calgary

V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer; Ex. Comp. W. A. Ackland, Z.

Bow Valley No. 10—Gleichen

Ex. Comp's R. H. Struthers, T. W. Bates, Z.,

Calgary No. 11—Calgary

M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor; R.E. Comp's. J. H. Argue, J. E. Johnson; Ex. Comp's W. C. Black, H., E. G. Ironside, J.

Keystone No. 12—Red Deer

R.E. Comp's W. E. Lord, W. T. Coote; Ex. Comp. W. J. Stephenson, Z., C. H. Stone.

Capital City No. 13—Edmonton

V.E. Comp's. D. McIntosh, H. G. Jamieson, E. C. Dunlop, Ex. Comp's. G. S. Armstrong, Z., A. D. Campbell, J., D. McLean.

Vermilion No. 14—Vermilion

R.E. Comp. Percy Fielding; Ex. Comp. W. J. Seed.

Hillvue No. 15—Hillcrest

Ex. Comp's. G. E. Cruickshank, E. C. McDonald.

Mount Olivet No. 17—Killam

Ex. Comp. W. J. Haynes, Z.,

Norwood No. 18—Edmonton

Ex. Comp. J. J. Green, Z.

The Hiram No. 19—Youngstown

R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey (Proxy)

Banff No. 20—Banff

Ex. Comp. R. L. McIlveen, Z.

Strathmore U.D.—Strathmore

Ex. Comp. G. Frank Butler, Z.

On motion of R.E. Comp. W. E. Lord, seconded by R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Credentials of Representatives be received and adopted.

The Most Excellent the Grand Z. granted permission for the admission of Royal Arch Masons in good standing as visitors.

On motion of M.E. Comp. J. N. Rankin, seconded by R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, it was

RESOLVED, That as the Proceedings of the Fourth Annual Convocation held at High River on the 13th day of March, 1918, have been printed and copies thereof sent to all the Chapters under this jurisdiction, the recorded minutes be considered as read and the same be now confirmed.

Address of Grand Z.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Companions:

Another year has passed and I heartily welcome you to this, our Fifth Annual Convocation. Notwithstanding all the disturbing circumstances which might have prevented a successful year, I am pleased to state that our growth has been substantial, both numerically and financially. At our last Convocation we were still in the midst of the Great War, but today, thanks to the Great Jehovah, civilization has conquered and the barbarian has been overthrown. During the coming months many of our Companions who have been serving King and Country will be returning to their homes and families and we, as Royal Arch Masons, should consider it our duty to spare no effort on their behalf. We must prove to them that their services on behalf of humanity has not been "labor in vain." To those who will not return, who lie in Flander's fields, we reverently give the homage due their noble sacrifice which will be ever green in our memories.

VISITATIONS

My first official visit was to Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17, at Killam, accompanied by R.E. Comp. Neff, superintendent of the First Masonic District. This Chapter for some time had been dormant, but as a result of our visit the Companions of Mount Olivet decided to put more energy into the work and revive the Chapter, with the pleasing result that several new members have been received and under the guidance of R.E. Companion Nichol, success appears to have crowned their efforts.

I visited most of the Chapters in the north early in the year and fully intended making visits to all in this jurisdiction, but owing to the influenza epidemic, arrangements made by my Superintendents for visits to the southern Chapters had to be cancelled. The Superintendents, however, report that nearly every Chapter has been visited and that with few exceptions good progress has been made.

NEW CHAPTER

On 2nd January I issued a dispensation to seventeen companions resident at or near Strathmore to erect a Chapter at that town, and instructed R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, Grand H., to institute the Chapter on 9th January. From reports I have received, I believe the Strathmore Chapter will accomplish good work in Capitular Masonry.

CHANGES IN BY-LAWS

On March 16th I approved of the following amendments to the By-laws of Assiniboia Chapter No. 3:

No. (12).—Strike out the words "one black ball" and substitute the words "two black balls."

No. (14).—Strike out the last part, which reads: "Any member of this Chapter living more than 25 miles from Medicine Hat may retain membership in this Chapter by paying \$1.00 per year dues."

DECISIONS

During my term in office the following questions have been submitted to me for my judgment, and my decisions were given as follows:

FROM BEKAH CHAPTER NO. 7, April, 1918:

1.—When a Chapter of R.A. Masons is opened, are Lodges of M.M. Masons and M.E. Masters opened by that ceremony?

Ans.—1. Lodges of M.M.M. and M.E.M. are not opened by R.A. ceremony. Lodges of M.M.M. and M.E.M. must be opened regularly in each instance.

2. Can a Master Mason be advanced to M.M. degree, or received as a M.E. Master, without a Lodge of M.M.M.'s or M.E.M.'s having been regularly opened in the manner prescribed in the Work supplied to the Chapters for their guidance?

Ans.—Candidates for the M.M.M. and M.E.M. degrees cannot be advanced or received except in Lodges regularly opened for such purpose and in manner prescribed.

3.—Can a candidate for reception or exaltation be examined for reception or exaltation in any other than regularly opened Lodges of M.M.M. and M.E.M. respectively?

Ans.—(a) Candidates for reception are examined in M.M.M. Lodge; (b) Candidates for exaltation are examined in M.E.M. Lodge.

4.—In the event of the 1st Principal of a Chapter advancing or receiving a candidate in other than a Lodge opened in prescribed form, is such candidate legally advanced or received according to the usages and customs of Freemasonry?

Ans.—Candidates for the several degrees must be advanced, received and exalted to the respective degrees in prescribed form only.

FROM BEKAH CHAPTER No. 7, January, 1919:

1.—Does a member who has been suspended in the Blue Lodge, for non-payment of dues, become automatically suspended in the Chapter?

Ans.—As the non-payment of dues is not a Masonic offence, the suspension would not follow.

2.—If a Companion be suspended in the Chapter for N.P.D., is he automatically suspended in his "Blue" Lodge?

Ans.—This is a question entirely in the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge.

FRATERNAL RECOGNITION

All the Grand Chapters throughout the world, with the exception of six, have have extended to this Grand Chapter fraternal recognition, and probably several of these have given the desired recognition but have failed to advise this Grand Chapter.

A list of the Grand Representatives nominated and appointed by me will be shown in the appendix to our annual report.

GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA

I am pleased to say that the greatest harmony exists between our Mother Grand Chapter of Canada and the Grand Chapter of Alberta. During the caputular year one thousand dollars have been received from the Grand Chapter of Canada as a token of its fraternal good will. We extend to our Mother Grand Chapter our heartfelt thanks for this gift, and offer our sincere good wishes for her continued progress and success.

IN MEMORIAM

Twenty of our Companions have been called to "that Temple not made with hands eternal in the Heavens."

Our sister Grand Chapters have lost, by death, many prominent workers in Caputular Masonry.

Our heartfely sympathy goes out to the relatives of our Companions who have thus been bereaved.

DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations have been issued during the year as follows:

To install Principals who have not served in the Chair as the Second or Third Principal as the case may be, for the period of twelve months:

Banff Chapter No. 20, March 18th, 1918.
 North Star Chapter No. 2, December 28th 1918.
 Bow Valley Chapter No. 10, December 28th, 1918.
 Hillvue Chapter No. 15, January 2nd, 1919.
 Shekinah Chapter No. 4, January 13th, 1919.
 The Hiram Chapter No. 19, February 21st, 1919.

To install the officers of the Chapter out of time:

Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17, June 8th, 1918.
 Capital City Chapter No. 13, December 17th, 1918.
 Norwood Chapter No. 18, December 18th, 1918.
 Alberta Chapter No. 1, December 28th, 1918.
 Calgary Chapter No. 11, December 28th, 1918.
 North Star Chapter No. 2, January 14th, 1919.

To ballot on and confer degrees on a soldier in His Majesty's forces at same Convocation:

Calgary Chapter No. 11, June 25th, 1918.

To hold regular Convocation out of time:

Shekinah Chapter No. 4, December 7th, 1918.
 Bow Valley Chapter No. 10, December 17th, 1918.
 Kether Chapter No. 8, January 29th, 1919.

To erect a new Chapter:

Strathmore Chapter, U.D., January 2nd, 1919.

To install a Principal of a Chapter at a Convocation of a sister Chapter.

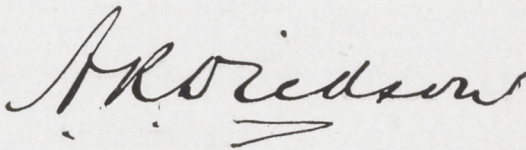
Banff Chapter No. 20, March 20th, 1918.
 Banff Chapter No. 20, January 2nd, 1919.
 The Hiram Chapter No. 19, February 21st, 1919.

To allow a sister Chapter to confer degrees on Companions of another Chapter:
 Bow Valley Chapter No. 10, January 13th, 1919.

Our Grand Chapter has not been in a financial position to perform great acts of benevolence and charity, but I must commend those of our Companions who, during the dread epidemic that swept our country, so nobly responded to the calls of the sick and afflicted.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the officers and Companions who have assisted me in my duties and who have made my visits to their Chapters events to which I shall look backward with the greatest of pleasure.

Fraternally yours,



Grand Z.

On motion of R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, seconded by V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer, it was

RESOLVED, That the address of the Grand Z. be received and referred to the Committee on Grand Z's address.

RECEPTION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SISTER GRAND CHAPTERS

The Grand Scribe E. having called the roll of Representatives of other Grand Chapters, near this Grand Chapter, and the Grand Director of Ceremonies having assembled them, M.E. Comp. Andrew R. Dickson, Grand Z., addressed them as follows:

"To you as the Representatives of the different Grand Chapter Jurisdictions in Canada, the United States and elsewhere, this Grand Chapter extends its congratulations, greetings and thanks for the many services that your Jurisdictions have rendered in the past to Masonry, thus furthering the kindly feeling that has existed between this Grand Chapter and the Jurisdiction that you have the honor to represent. In behalf of this Grand Chapter I bid you welcome and would ask you to convey to your respective Jurisdictions our fraternal good wishes and the assurance that we bid you God speed."

Each of the Representatives having conveyed to the Grand Z. Greetings from their several Grand Chapters, R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote representing the Grand Chapter of New Jersey, replied to the welcome of the Grand Z. in the following words:

"Most Excellent Sir and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

"It is unnecessary perhaps to say much on an occasion of this kind, but in our representative capacity from sister Jurisdictions we thank you for this reception. The Grand Chapters which we represent have acknowledged you as a Sovereign Grand Body in this western province and we congratulate you on your splendid success since organization in May 1914. It is a matter of commendation that your financial statement is so favorable, that you have such a large membership for so young a body, and that the Royal Craft in this jurisdiction is in such good condition.

"We will convey to our respective Grand Chapters your kind words, and in their behalf we reciprocate your fraternal good wishes. We trust that you will have a successful convocation."

Grand Honors having been given, the distinguished Companions were seated.

Grand Superintendents' Report

DISTRICT NO. 1

Edmonton, February 20th, 1919.

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal and
Members of the Grand Chapter R.A.M., Alberta:

I hereby beg to submit my report of the work done for the cause and the state of Capitular Masonry in District No. 1 during this term.

Early in the year a delegation from Grand Chapter consisting of the Most Ex. Grand 1st Principal and myself visited Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17, at Killam, for the purpose of persuading the Companions of that Chapter to either continue the Chapter work there or deposit their charter with the Grand Chapter during the continuance of the war, or until the time arrived when, in the opinion of the Companions, the work could be successfully resumed. We received a cordial reception. When this question came up for discussion it was thoroughly debated and after hearing the remarks of the delegation it was resolved by a large majority vote to continue the work. This has been done, and with very gratifying success.

Have made official visits to all the Chapters in the district with the exception of Mount Olivet No. 17. In each Chapter visited I found the books in excellent condition, reflecting great credit on the several S's.E. All the Chapters have some of the Companions owing back dues. The Scribes, however, are endeavoring to collect these, so that I expect, ere long, there will be a great improvement in this respect.

In respect to the opening and closing ceremonies of conducting the general business and of conferring degrees, the weak Chapters in this district are, to my mind, Mount Horeb and Vermilion. However, these are now well officered and I have no doubt there will be great improvements made in each of these Chapters during the year 1919. It was my pleasure on visiting them to urge great diligence in doing the work, and I have no doubt that they will so improve as to lead some of the other Chapters before the end of the year 1919.

The prevalent epidemic interfered so much with our meetings that it rendered it all but impossible to hold a Chapter of Instruction in the District. I had one arranged for, the night set, and some of the invitations sent out, when the Government prohibited all Lodge meetings, so I had to cancel it. Hope my successor will be more fortunate and be able to hold one or more during his term of office as I believe a great good can be done by so doing.

All the Chapters visited are adequately protected by fire insurance.

In my judgment Capitular Masonry is in a better condition now in District No. 1, than it was at the beginning of the year, notwithstanding the interruptions due to the epidemic of Spanish Influenza, and the prospect of an excellent advancement during the coming year is in evidence.

I thank the Companions, one and all, for honoring me by electing me your representative and for the cordial reception I received at the several meetings.

Yours fraternally,

J. A. NEFF,

Superintendent District No. 1.

DISTRICT NO. 2

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter:

In presenting to you my report as Grand Superintendent for the second Masonic District for the Grand Chapter year just drawing to a close, I have pleasure in stating that the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in the Second Masonic District has throughout the year, been characterized by activity, efficiency and healthy growth. All the Chapters in this District were of course affected temporarily by the epidemic of Spanish Influenza which resulted in meetings of the Chapter being suspended for several weeks in the months of October and November last. While the meetings were suspended I have every reason to believe that the members of the Royal Craft during the period of suspension were earnestly and continuously doing everything possible in helping, not only their fellow Companions, but the citizens and neighbors, in fighting the spread of this dread disease and assisting its victims through illness and convalescence. At all times during the year, all the Chapters in the District were holding their meetings regularly and exemplifying the work of the three degrees in a satisfactory manner. I am happy to state that every Chapter has been developing in a healthy and promising manner both from the standpoint of addition to their members by exaltation and affiliation and also an increased knowledge on the part of their members in the work of the degrees.

Notwithstanding the interruption caused by the epidemic, I am glad to report that I was able to make an official visit to every Chapter in the District and during the year have had an opportunity of witnessing some degrees conferred at each Chapter. I have been particularly pleased with the interest shown and the efficiency exhibited by the younger Chapters in the District. I have found throughout the District the utmost harmony among its several Chapters and a constant willingness, in fact desire, among the Chapters for co-operation in carrying on their work and extending the influence of Royal Arch Masonry.

In October, 1918, I received through the Grand Scribe E. a petition from seventeen Companions resident in and around Strathmore, requesting that a Chapter to be known as Strathmore Chapter be instituted at Strathmore. Upon making the necessary investigation I was able to recommend the petition to the Most Excellent Grand First Principal for his approval. On January 9th, 1919, R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, instituted the new Chapter at Strathmore. While not present at the beginning of this ceremony I was able to take part in the latter portion of it and also witness the exemplification of degrees on candidates following the institution of the Chapter. Since its institution this Chapter has held several meetings at which candidates have received the degrees of Royal Arch Masonry. The books of the Chapter have been submitted to me for inspection and I found them in excellent condition. This Chapter is well equipped with regalia and paraphernalia, and is in a sound financial position. I have great pleasure in recommending that a warrant be granted to Strathmore Chapter at this convocation of Grand Chapter.

On February 26th, last, a Chapter of Instruction was held in the Masonic Temple, Calgary, at which all the Chapters in the District were represented and with the exception of one Chapter, two or more of the principal officers of each Chapter were present. The use of the Chapter Room for this evening was kindly granted by Calgary Chapter No. 11, and the meeting was summoned by Alberta Chapter No. 1 at my request. Keystone Chapter No. 12, sent to this meeting a full team of officers and exemplified the Holy Royal Arch Degree in a highly satisfactory manner. This Chapter of Instruction was largely attended and in my opinion was a gratifying success. Keystone Chapter is to be congratulated upon its ability not only to send for a special occasion its full quota of officers, but also upon the excellent character of the work done by its officers. I feel that the success of this meeting was very largely due to the enterprise and zeal displayed by Key-

stone Chapter No. 12. Plans for a Chapter of Instruction to be held in Calgary at the end of November last had been arranged but had to be cancelled owing to the epidemic.

On May 1st, 1918, I had the pleasure of accompanying the Most Excellent Grand First Principal on the occasion of his making an official visit to a joint meeting of the three Chapters located in Calgary. This was one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings of Royal Arch Masons ever held in this District. On January 2nd, 1919, at the request of the three Calgary Chapters I officiated as installing officer in a joint installation of the officers of Alberta Chapter No. 1, Otuskwan Chapter No. 9, and Calgary Chapter No. 11, assisted by M.E. Comp's S. Y. Taylor and J. N. Rankin and R.E. Comp's M. M. Downey and J. H. Argue. At this meeting the Excellent First Principal of Banff Chapter No. 20, was also installed. The meeting was largely attended and there was everywhere displayed the best of good-fellowship and enthusiasm. On January 29th I installed the officers of Bow Valley Chapter No. 10, at Gleichen. On February 4th, I installed several officers of Banff Chapter No. 20 at Banff. On February 26th, at the Chapter of Instruction in Calgary, I installed the First and Third Principals of the Hiram Chapter No. 19, and the Second Principal of Banff Chapter No. 20.

I found the books of the Various Chapters all kept in a satisfactory manner and all chapters have insured their regalia and paraphernalia in what appeared to be reasonable amounts. In the older Chapters I found considerable amounts of arrears of dues outstanding, but I understand that this matter is receiving the active attention of the Chapters interested.

I now wish to thank the several Chapters in the District for the many courtesies extended to me during the past year and also to thank M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor; R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey and V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer who accompanied me on my visits to Chapters located out of Calgary, for their cordial co-operation and assistance.

In conclusion I would ask the Companions of this District to accept this expression of my sincere appreciation of the honor bestowed on me one year ago.

Fraternally yours,

FREDERICK S. SELWOOD.

G.S. 2nd Dist.

DISTRICT NO. 3

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

As Grand Superintendent of District No. 3, I have the honor to submit herewith my report.

I desire first to express my appreciation for the honor conferred on me in electing me to the honorable position of Grand Superintendent.

I have to thank the Scribes E. for prompt notices of all their convocations and attention to any correspondence I have had with them.

As Grand Superintendent I have visited each Chapter once, and was invariably received with the honor and courtesy due this Grand body. I will always retain pleasant memories of the many instances of individual attention and kindness received at the hands of the Companions. I found the officers in each chapter

discharging their duties in a creditable manner and a bright outlook for the future prevails. The pall of the past four and a half years of struggle is already lifting and Capitular Masonry will benefit much thereby. The Chapters are all in splendid financial condition, free from debt and property fully insured. Very little is outstanding in dues. The attendance in a few Chapters is splendid and in this connection I wish especially to mention Assiniboia No. 3 and Shekinah No. 4. However, in most cases the officers would appreciate better support in this regard.

Many things contributed to making visits difficult and the year was nearing the end before I was able to visit any of the Chapters. However, on February 4th I visited Bekah Chapter No. 7. Macleod, and received a most hearty welcome. M.E. Comp. Robert Paterson installed the officers for the year. There was a good attendance and the Chapter is in a prosperous condition, having comfortable quarters and much work before them.

On February 5th I visited Hillvue Chapter No. 15, Hillcrest. This Chapter deserves much credit for the fortitude shown during the past years in carrying a burden thrust upon it by the great mine disaster of a few years ago. There is a desire among a portion of the companions of this Chapter to make a change in the location to a place which appears to some to be more suitable. However, the get-together spirit prevails and this will be definitely settled in due course.

I visited Kether Chapter No. 8, Pincher Creek on February 6th, when they held their election and I had the pleasure of installing their officers for the ensuing term. It was a very pleasant evening for me and I thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality of the Companions. This is a prosperous Chapter and well equipped.

I officially visited my home Chapter, Golden West No. 5, High River, on February 10th when the M.M.M. and M.E.M. degrees were conferred on several brethren. This being my home Chapter I have been present at all convocations. The attendance is not as good as the officers would like to see as the Companions are scattered over a large district and the work of the Chapter is wholly borne by a few of the faithful.

On February 11th in Company with Ex. Comp. Green, First Principal of Golden West Chapter and other Companions, I visited Tau Cross Chapter No. 16, at which time they held their election and I again had the pleasure of installing officers. This Chapter is not a strong one in numbers but is in splendid financial condition and the Companions are enthusiastic.

On February 19th I visited Assiniboia Chapter No. 3, Medicine Hat, when a number of brethren were exalted to the degree of the Holy Royal Arch. This is a strong Chapter and is doing much good work.

On February 26th, I visited Shekinah Chapter No. 4, Lethbridge. Here the M.E.M. degree was conferred on a number of brethren. The new officers are efficient and the work was put in an excellent and impressive manner.

Each Chapter is fortunate in having a good Scribe E. This is a great help to the principal officers. The minute and financial books are well kept but in some instances the book of Marks is not properly attended to. Two Scribes E. deserve special mention for their excellent attention to the Chapter books, Comp. R. M. Napier of Assiniboia Chapter No. 3 and Comp. P. G. Thomas of Golden West Chapter No. 5.

I think the Grand Superintendent should be provided with a form in which he should answer specific questions in gathering the desired information for Grand Chapter.

Owing to so much sickness during the fall and winter it was not deemed advisable to hold a Chapter of Instruction. I am sorry this was so as much benefit would result in establishing uniformity. I trust my successor will be able to do this.

Finally I wish to thank the Companions who have made my term of office one that I shall always look back to with pleasant recollections. I have made an effort to discharge the duties of the Office to the best of my ability and if I have fallen short of that which is expected I trust those failures will be shrouded by a Masonic mantle of charity.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

J. F. CASTEEL,

Grand Superintendent of District No. 3.

INSURANCE ON CHAPTER PARAPHERNALIA

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Shekinah No. 4, Lethbridge..... | \$400.00 |
| Bekah No. 7, Macleod..... | 500.00 |
| Hillvue No. 15, Hillcrest..... | 400.00 |
| Tau Cross No. 16, Claresholm..... | 350.00 |
| Assiniboia No. 3, Medicine Hat..... | 300.00 |
| Kether No. 8, Pincher Creek..... | 300.00 |
| Golden West No. 5, High River..... | 300.00 |

J. F. CASTEEL

G.S. Dis. No. 3.

On motion of V.E. Comp. A. Hayr, seconded by Ex. Comp. H. D. McMillan, it was

RESOLVED, That the reports of the Grand Superintendents be received and be referred to the Committee on Condition of Capitular Masonry.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters of regret at being unable to be present were read from R.E. Comp's. A. W. R. Markley and F. E. Nichol and a telegram from V. E. Comp. W. F. W. Lent. The Grand Z. ordered these communications filed.

A letter having been received from R.E. Comp. D. R. Cameron regretting that on account of his removal to British Columbia, he found it necessary to resign his office as a member of the Executive Committee of this Grand Chapter.

On motion of R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, seconded by R.E. Comp. P. J. Dewie it was

RESOLVED, That this Grand Chapter express its regret at losing R.E. Comp. Cameron as an active member, and wish him every success in his new sphere of labor.

Tenders for printing the Proceedings of this Convocation having been received from the Albertan Job Press and the J. D. McAra Co. on motion of R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote, seconded by R.E. Comp. J. H. Argue, it was

RESOLVED, That the tenders be placed before the Committee on Audit and Finance.

Letters from the Grand Z. and the Grand Scribe E. of the Grand Chapter of Canada, waiving jurisdiction, in the case of Capital City Chapter accepting an application for exaltation from Bro. Minty of Fort George, B.C.

On motion of Ex. Comp. E. F. Doolan, seconded by Ex. Comp. E. G. Ironside, it was

RESOLVED, That the correspondence in this case be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Grand Scribe E's Report

To the Most Excellent Grand Z., Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alberta.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I take pleasure in presenting to you the Report of the Grand Scribe E., for 1918.

As instructed by Grand Chapter, the proceedings for 1917 were printed and mailed to those entitled to receive them.

On authority of Grand Chapter a new Underwood typewriter was purchased for the use of this office. Forms of application for exaltation, affiliation and reports on same, have been printed and forwarded to those Chapters requisitioning for them.

Your Committee on Standard By-laws, consisting of R.E. Companions Selwood, Argue and the Grand Scribe E., compiled and had printed, 1,000 copies of by-laws, which have proved very acceptable to the Chapters requiring them.

Grand Chapter Regalia for the Grand Second and Grand Third Principals was purchased and forwarded to R.E. Companions M. M. Downey and N. T. MacLeod.

A petition having been received from seventeen Companions resident at or near Strathmore, to erect a Chapter at that place, and the Grand Superintendent, R.E. Comp. Selwood, having recommended that the prayer of the petition be granted, it was forwarded to M.E. Comp. A. R. Dickson, Grand Z., who was pleased to give his approval. On January 9th the Strathmore Chapter was instituted by R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, Grand H., assisted by R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood and V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer.

The following Companions were the petitioners:

Thos. E. Wright, H. F. McDonald, N. Nicholson, H. S. Dougan, W. B. Horton, W. L. Tibbetts, W. B. Rawlings, H. A. Ruppe, J. B. Sim, W. C. Brown, G. F. Butler, H. Wood, H. W. B. Bell, E. H. Smith, J. H. Freeman, Alan N. Lindsay, Archd. McDonald.

I am pleased to report that Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17 was visited by M.E. Comp. A. R. Dickson and R.E. Comp. Neff early in the year, and has shown a splendid activity during the past nine months. With R.E. Comp. F. E. Nichol as Scribe E., this Chapter gives evidence that it will soon become one of the most flourishing Chapters in the jurisdiction.

Owing to the influenza epidemic, many of the annual reports from the Chapters were delayed, but all Chapters sent in their reports before the books were closed on February 28th.

During the Grand Chapter year our debt has been reduced by \$927.75, leaving a balance owing of about \$1,500.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Number on Roll of Grand Chapter, 31st December 1917..... | 1871 |
| Additions: | |
| Restored, to December 31st, 1918..... | 8 |
| Admitted, to December 31st, 1918..... | 156 |
| Affiliated, to December 31st, 1918..... | 22 |
| | <hr/> 186 |
| | 2057 |

Deductions:

| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Deaths..... | 21 |
| Resignations..... | 48 |
| Suspensions, N.P.D..... | 76 |
| | <hr/> 145 |

Number on Roll, December 31st, 1918..... 1912

A net increase of 41 members, not including the petitioners from Strathmore.

During the year one hundred and thirty-seven Royal Arch certificates have been issued. Twenty-six Past Principals' certificates have also been issued.

The annual fees for the year were 50 cents per capita.

In April, 1918, I noticed that Capital City Chapter No. 13 had accepted an application for exaltation from a brother resident at Fort George, B. C. This place being under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Canada, I advised Capital City Chapter that before the brother could receive the degrees, in that Chapter, permission would have to be received from the Grand Chapter of Canada. On placing the facts before the Grand Scribe E., R.E. Comp. H. T. Smith, permission was very kindly and promptly given by the Grand Z., provided the nearest Chapter to Fort George would give its consent. As no further information has been received from Capital City Chapter and the Brother's name has not been registered, I am of the opinion that no further action has been taken.

ASSETS

February 28th, 1919

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Cash in Bank..... | \$1,261.67 |
| Accounts Receivable from Chapters..... | 27.53 |
| Regalia, Furniture, Books and Stock..... | 961.92 |
| | <hr/> \$2,251.12 |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Loan from Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | \$ 500.00 |
| Loan from Otuskwan Chapter No. 9..... | 1,000.00 |
| J. H. Routledge (Engraving)..... | 3.00 |
| Star Printing Works (Printing)..... | 3.85 |
| Campbell Floral Co. (Wreath)..... | 10.00 |
| Credits to Chapters..... | 18.15 |
| | <hr/> \$1,535.00 |
| Balance Assets over Liabilities..... | 716.12 |
| | <hr/> 2,251.12 |

AMOUNTS PAID TO GRAND TREASURER

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| 1918— | |
| Apr. 2..... | \$ 519.43 |
| Apr. 22..... | 41.60 |
| May 27..... | 7.26 |
| June 24..... | 40.20 |
| July 5..... | 79.10 |
| Aug. 23..... | 41.70 |
| Nov. 5..... | 75.35 |
| Dec. 12..... | 3.05 |

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|--------------|------------|
| 1919— | |
| Jan. 6..... | 462.20 |
| Jan. 16..... | 271.45 |
| Jan. 27..... | 746.95 |
| Feb. 10..... | 311.35 |
| Feb. 26..... | 219.25 |
| Feb. 28..... | 28.85 |
| Feb. 28..... | 20.63 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,868.37 |

AMOUNTS RECEIVED

From March 1st, 1918, to February 28th, 1919

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | \$ 190.50 |
| North Star Chapter No. 2..... | 183.35 |
| Assiniboia Chapter No. 3..... | 116.53 |
| Shekinah Chapter No. 4..... | 89.50 |
| Golden West Chapter No. 5..... | 64.10 |
| Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6..... | 47.43 |
| Bekah Chapter No. 7..... | 46.50 |
| Kether Chapter No. 8..... | 28.85 |
| Otuskwan Chapter No. 9..... | 100.00 |
| Bow Valley Chapter No. 10..... | 97.13 |
| Calgary Chapter No. 11..... | 101.00 |
| Keystone Chapter No. 12..... | 80.10 |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | 202.85 |
| Vermillion Chapter No. 14..... | 57.28 |
| Hillvue Chapter No. 15..... | 42.30 |
| Tau Cross Chapter No. 16..... | 29.35 |
| Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17..... | 43.00 |
| Norwood Chapter No. 18..... | 51.00 |
| The Hiram Chapter No. 19..... | 66.55 |
| Banff Chapter No. 20..... | 91.85 |
| Strathmore Chapter, U.D..... | 137.70 |
| Grand Chapter of Canada..... | 1,000.00 |
| Ex. Comp. W. Thompson..... | 1.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,868.37 |

INVENTORY OF STOCK, FURNITURE, ETC.

Calgary, February 28th, 1919

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Office Desk..... | \$ 18.00 |
| Office Cabinet..... | 25.00 |
| Regalia..... | 180.00 |
| Envelopes, Letterheads, etc..... | 15.00 |
| Stone..... | 62.00 |
| Blank Certificates..... | 120.00 |
| Mailing Tubes..... | 4.00 |
| Cuts..... | 35.00 |
| Dispensation Forms..... | 3.00 |
| Application Forms..... | 15.00 |
| Order on Treas. Forms..... | 2.50 |
| Scribe E. Receipt Forms..... | 10.00 |
| Register of Certificate Forms..... | 2.00 |
| Foreign Commission Forms..... | 8.00 |
| Return of Members Forms..... | 12.00 |

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|--|--------|
| Books of Constitution..... | 15.00 |
| Past Principals Certificates..... | 4.00 |
| Grand Chapter Officers Certificates..... | 5.00 |
| Seal Press..... | 7.50 |
| Books—Office Chapter and Work..... | 250.00 |
| Forms not otherwise specified..... | 10.00 |
| Filing Boxes..... | 4.00 |
| Typewriter..... | 140.00 |
| Office Supplies..... | 10.00 |
| Postage on Hand..... | 4.92 |

\$ 961.92

Representatives have been Commissioned by the Grand Z., during 1918, to represent this Grand Chapter near the following Grand Chapters:

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| California..... | Charles H. King..... | Sebastopol, Calif. |
| Canada..... | J. K. Brydon..... | Kenora, Ontario |
| District of Columbia..... | James A. West..... | Washington, D.C. |
| Georgia..... | B. S. Brown..... | Brunswick, Ga. |
| Illinois..... | A. J. Schattgen..... | Jerseyville, Ill. |
| Maine..... | W. Scott Shorey..... | Bath, Me. |
| Minnesota..... | Frank H. McCuskey..... | Minneapolis |
| Mississippi..... | Charles N. Harris..... | Edwards, Miss. |
| Montana..... | David Craig..... | Great Falls, Mont. |
| New Hampshire..... | Wm. Bates Randall..... | Portsmouth, N.H. |
| New Jersey..... | William H. Pike..... | Newark, N.J. |
| North Carolina..... | Fred Bayard Crowson..... | Goldsboro, N.C. |
| Oregon..... | Wm. Arthur Johnston..... | The Dallas, Ore. |
| Rhode Island..... | Adelbert E. Place..... | Hills Grove, R.I. |
| South Dakota..... | Norris J. Hendrickson..... | Rapid City, S.D. |
| Texas..... | C. E. Mead..... | Marfa, Tex. |
| Washington..... | Harry C. Synei..... | Seattle, Wash. |

Companions of this Grand Chapter have been commissioned as Representatives near the following Grand Chapters:

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|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| California..... | W. F. W. Lent..... | Calgary |
| Canada..... | F. S. Watson..... | Edmonton |
| District of Columbia..... | D. A. Taylor..... | Lethbridge |
| Georgia..... | H. A. Brock..... | Edmonton |
| Idaho..... | Joseph G. Morris..... | Edmonton |
| Illinois..... | E. C. Dunlop..... | Edmonton |
| Maine..... | Fred S. Selwood..... | Calgary |
| Minnesota..... | George Campbell..... | Youngstown |
| Mississippi..... | J. A. R. Powell..... | Edmonton |
| Montana..... | John Dan McDonald..... | Bellevue |
| New Hampshire..... | Jesse Elliott..... | Medicine Hat |
| New Jersey..... | W. T. Coote..... | Red Deer |
| North Carolina..... | J. F. Casteel..... | High River |
| Oregon..... | S. M. Fraser..... | MacLeod |
| Rhode Island..... | H. O. Haslam..... | Claresholm |
| South Dakota..... | A. R. Duncan..... | Edmonton |
| Texas..... | R. C. MacDonald..... | Edmonton |
| Washington..... | A. W. R. Markley..... | Calgary |

LIST OF MEMBERS SUSPENDED FOR N.P.D.

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|----------------------------------|--|
| Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | J. M. Bratton, Geo. H. Griffiths, A. O. McRae, H. E. Waterbury |
| North Star Chapter No. 2..... | C. M. Archibald, J. M. Armstrong, E. T. Bishop, E. S. Braithwaite, G. D. Butler, H. Crabbs, J. L. Cornwall, R. W. Day, J. H. Dawson, A. K. Dewar, J. H. Edwards, J. R. Gogarn, G. H. Graydon, W. S. Graham, G. A. Green, E. G. Lowrey, Chas. May, J. Mann, J. L. Moore, H. A. Murphy, H. A. McQuarrie, H. J. McInnes, L. W. Price, T. M. Turnbull, M. C. Watts, W. R. West, L. M. Yorke, P. L. York. |
| Golden West Chapter No. 5..... | P. Taylor, G. F. W. Stribling, Wm. Thomas. |
| Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6..... | Geo. McMannus, J. W. Hey. |
| Bekah Chapter No. 7..... | W. H. Atkins, John Allen, J. McC. Bratton, J. Graham, J. W. Jackson. |
| Otuskwaw Chapter No. 9..... | J. A. Kennedy, W. H. McLaws, J. F. Rogers, H. W. Sterne, S. M. Young. |
| Calgary Chapter No. 11..... | A. Campbell, N. W. Clarke, R. E. Beattie, A. J. Bartle, K. J. Heilman, A. N. Hobkirk, R. McLaren, B. F. Reddick, R. E. Whitten, A. H. Willett. |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | J. C. O. Briere, Wm. Brown, A. J. Douglas, C. H. Hankinson, John Highet, F. H. Johnson, D. Mc- Gibbon, H. A. Magoon, J. D. MacEdward, F. A. McRae, John R. Orr, R. Sinclair, Silas R. Tuffley, Sam'l Wright, J. H. Wilson. |

LIST OF COMPANIONS WHO HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM MEMBERSHIP

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| Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | Geo. P. Black, John M. Empey, Maurice Hunter, Jno. Nixon, A. N. Saddington. |
| North Star Chapter No. 2..... | Geo. T. Bragg, J. A. Brookbank, C. M. Cook, John Cook, W. Dawe, P. Fielding, R. B. Ferguson, A. P. Grant, R. Moss, J. A. Paul, E. B. Webster, F. Barnhouse, F. W. Timm. |
| Assiniboia Chapter No. 3..... | J. L. Jamieson, John McNeely. |
| Shekinah Chapter No. 4..... | C. C. Raven, G. B. Weller. |
| Golden West Chapter No. 5..... | W. J. Greig, J. M. Glendinning. |
| Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6..... | Jos. Hea, Jas. R. Large, Alex McKee. |
| Bekah Chapter No. 7..... | John Franklin, Wm. Root, J. B. Robertson. |
| Otuskwaw Chapter No. 9..... | Jos. Dudgeon, W. G. Fife, F. S. Melhuish, A. K. McLean, R. L. McIlveen, A. L. G. Orr, G. Parsons, H. E. Sibbald. |
| Bow Valley Chapter..... | Chas. Harris Hugh Stainsleigh. |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | Wm. Eley, J. J. Green, H. G. Newman, H. K. Dow, A. T. Mode, |
| Norwood Chapter No. 18..... | M. J. Cain, W. A. Morgan, W. E. Oliver. |

COMPANIONS RESTORED TO MEMBERSHIP

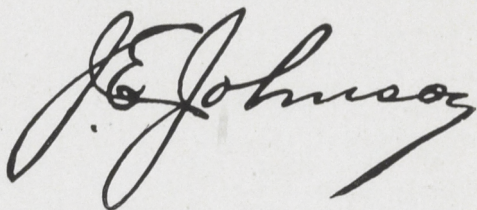
Alberta Chapter No. 1.....John W. Esson, George H. Hogbin, John Louden.

Shekinah Chapter No. 4.....C. R. Young, G. A. Delaney, Rich. Urch.

Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6 Jos. Hea.

Mount Olivet Chapter No. 17 ..Companion A. B. McDónald, reported "Killed in Action" has now been reported as having "survived."

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Scribe E.

On motion of M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor, seconded by V.E. Comp. A. Hayr,
it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Grand Scribe E. be received and referred to the Committee on Audit and Finance.

STATEMENT OF GRAND TREASURER

Statement of Grand Treasurer

Amounts Received from March 1st, 1918, to February 28th 1919:

| | | | |
|----------|----------------------|--|------------|
| 1918— | | | |
| Mar. 1. | Amount in Bank | | \$ 674.65 |
| Apr. 2. | From Grand Scribe E. | | 519.43 |
| Apr. 22. | " " " | | 41.60 |
| May 27. | " " " | | 7.26 |
| June 24. | " " " | | 40.20 |
| July 5. | " " " | | 79.10 |
| Aug. 23. | " " " | | 41.70 |
| Nov. 5. | " " " | | 75.35 |
| Dec. 12. | " " " | | 3.05 |
| 1919— | | | |
| Jan. 6. | " " " | | 462.20 |
| Jan. 16. | " " " | | 271.45 |
| Jan. 27. | " " " | | 746.95 |
| Feb. 10. | " " " | | 311.35 |
| Feb. 26. | " " " | | 219.25 |
| Feb. 28. | " " " | | 28.85 |
| Feb. 28. | " " " | | 20.63 |
| | | | \$3,543.02 |

Amounts Paid by Cheque from March 1st, 1918, to February 28th, 1919:

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|----------|---|-------------|----------|
| 1918— | | Voucher No. | |
| Mar. 13. | J. D. Mc Ara (Printing) | 117 | \$ 14.75 |
| Mar. 13. | Calgary Photo Engr. Co. (Cut) | 118 | 2.60 |
| Mar. 13. | Grand Scribe E. (Postage) | 119 | 15.00 |
| Mar. 13. | J. E. Johnson (Postage and Telegrams) | 120 | 2.65 |
| Mar. 13. | J. H. Routledge (Writing Charter) | 121 | 7.50 |
| Mar. 13. | R. Patterson (Grand Z's Expenses) | 122 | 75.00 |
| Mar. 13. | Thos. Baird (Grand Janitor) | 123 | 10.00 |
| Apr. 7. | United Typewriter Co. (Machine) | 124 | 144.00 |
| Apr. 7. | Dickinson Stamp Man (Dater) | 125 | 4.00 |
| Apr. 7. | A. W. R. Markley (War Tax Stamps) | 126 | 1.00 |
| Apr. 7. | J. H. Routledge (Writing Charter) | 127 | 7.50 |
| Apr. 7. | North Star Chapter (Loan Payment) | 128 | 521.20 |
| Apr. 7. | J. E. Johnson (L.D. Phone and Exchange) | 129 | 1.25 |
| Apr. 22. | W. A. Ackland (Premium on Bonds) | 130 | 3.00 |
| Apr. 22. | Grand Chapter of Canada (Stock) | 131 | 2.00 |
| May 13. | J. E. Johnson (Office Supplies) | 132 | 1.00 |
| May 13. | Grand Scribe E. (Postage) | 133 | 15.00 |
| June 20. | A. W. R. Markley (Signature Stamp) | 134 | 2.00 |
| June 20. | Grand Chapter of Canada (Stock) | 135 | 6.25 |
| June 20. | Dr. J. A. Neff. (Expenses to Killam) | 136 | 7.00 |
| June 20. | J. E. Johnson (Express, Type Ribbon) | 137 | 1.30 |
| June 20. | Ambrose Kent & Sons (Regalia) | 138 | 132.25 |
| June 20. | M. M. Downey (Express on Regalia) | 139 | 1.85 |
| June 20. | Grand Scribe E. (a/c. Salary) | 140 | 75.00 |
| July 25. | Albertan Job Press (Circulars) | 141 | 2.75 |
| July 25. | Albertan Job Press (a/c. Proceedings) | 142 | 100.00 |
| July 25. | J. E. Johnson (Filing Cases) | 143 | 4.00 |

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|----------|--|-----|------------|
| July 25. | Bryant Press Ltd. (Musical Services)..... | 144 | 10.00 |
| July 25. | F. E. Osborne (Mailing Tubes)..... | 145 | 5.00 |
| Nov. 4. | J. D. McAra (Blank Books)..... | 146 | 7.00 |
| Nov. 4. | J. E. Johnson (Telegrams)..... | 147 | 1.50 |
| Nov. 4. | F. E. Osborne (Office Supplies)..... | 148 | 2.35 |
| Nov. 4. | Albertan Job Press (a/c Proceedings)..... | 149 | 100.00 |
| Nov. 4. | Grand Scribe E. (Salary)..... | 150 | 75.00 |
| Nov. 4. | Western Ptg. & Litho Co. (Certificates)..... | 151 | 60.00 |
| Dec. 9. | Western Ptg. & Litho Co. (Certificates)..... | 152 | 60.00 |
| 1919— | | | |
| Jan. 6. | F. E. Osborne (Blank Books)..... | 153 | 2.90 |
| Jan. 6. | Grand Scribe E. (Postage)..... | 154 | 15.00 |
| Jan. 6. | J. E. Johnson (for G.C. Can. Book)..... | 155 | 1.00 |
| Jan. 6. | W. A. Ackland (Insurance Premium)..... | 156 | 6.80 |
| Jan. 14. | Albertan Job Press (Printing)..... | 157 | 70.50 |
| Jan. 14. | Multiple Letter Co. (Circulars)..... | 158 | 1.85 |
| Jan. 14. | Grand Scribe E. (Salary)..... | 159 | 150.00 |
| Feb. 12. | Otuskwan Chapter No. 9 (Interest)..... | 160 | 72.00 |
| Feb. 12. | Alberta Chapter No. 1 (Interest)..... | 161 | 41.55 |
| Feb. 12. | Calgary Photo Eng. Co. (Cut)..... | 162 | 5.00 |
| Feb. 12. | Albertan Job Press (Printing)..... | 163 | 16.00 |
| Feb. 12. | J. D. McAra (Printing)..... | 164 | 11.50 |
| Feb. 12. | Alberta Chapter No. 1 (On Note)..... | 165 | 206.55 |
| Feb. 12. | Otuskwan Chapter No. 9 (On Note)..... | 166 | 200.00 |
| Feb. 28. | Cash in Bank of Nova Scotia..... | | 1,261.67 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$3,543.02 |

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. R. MARKLEY.

Grand Treasurer.

On motion of R. E. Comp. J. E. Johnson, seconded by V. E. Comp. W. E. Mercer, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and referred to the Committee on Audit and Finance.

AUDITORS' REPORT, 1918

Receipts

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------|------------|
| Mar. 1. | Cash on hand..... | \$ 674.65 |
| | Receipts Chapters..... | 1,868.37 |
| | Grand Chapter of Canada..... | 1,000.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$3,543.02 |

Disbursements

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| As per Schedule..... | \$2,281.35 |
| Balance, Cash in Bank..... | 1,261.67 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,543.02 |
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| | \$3,543.02 |

We have audited the books and vouchers of the Grand Scribe E and the Grand Treasurer and find the same to be well kept.

We certify that the attached report of receipts and disbursements is in accordance with the vouchers and the books of the Grand Scribe E and Grand Treasurer.

H. H. FLETCHER,
W. HERBERT A. THOMPSON, } *Auditors.*

On motion of R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, seconded by R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, it was resolved "That the report of the auditors be received and referred to the Committee on Audit and Finance."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS

To the Most Excellent Grand Z and Companions
of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Your Committee on Warrants takes pleasure in submitting the following report:
We note that in the report of the Grand Superintendent of District No. 2, R.E. Comp. Selwood, that Strathmore Chapter is in a very prosperous and flourishing condition, and we therefore recommend that a Warrant be granted to Strathmore Chapter No. 21.

Your committee is pleased to note that since the visit of the Special Committee, the Grand Z and the Grand Superintendent of No. 1 District, to Mount Olivet Chapter, No. 17, at Killam, that this Chapter has shown great progress and is now in a very promising and prosperous condition.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. ARGUE,
W. J. SEED,
E. F. DOOLAN,
P. J. DEWIE.

On motion of R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, seconded by V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer, it was

RESOLVED, That the Report of the Committee on Warrants be received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

Red Deer,
March 12th, 1919.

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z, Officers and Companions
of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Your Committee has examined the office and books of the Grand Scribe Ezra and the Grand Treasurer, and beg to submit the following statement of revenue and expenditure for the year ending February 28th, 1919:

Ordinary Revenue

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash in Bank, March 1st, 1918..... | \$ 674.75 |
| Outstanding Accounts paid..... | 100.48 |
| Sale of Constitutions..... | 18.50 |
| Sale of Standard Bylaws..... | 37.35 |
| Sale of Books, Forms, etc..... | 38.45 |
| Registrations and Certificates..... | 602.00 |
| Joinings..... | 21.00 |
| Dispensations..... | 38.00 |
| Copies of Work..... | 27.00 |
| Past Principal's Certificates..... | 22.00 |
| Life Certificates..... | 35.00 |
| Dispensation and Warrant..... | 50.00 |
| Annual Fees..... | 837.00 |
| Other Sundry Receipts..... | 41.49 |
| Total Ordinary Revenue..... | \$2,543.02 |

Special Revenue

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Grant from Grand Chapter, Canada..... | \$1,000.00 |
| Total Revenue..... | \$3,543.02 |

Expenditure

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Printing..... | \$ 305.85 |
| Office Supplies..... | 157.35 |
| Postage..... | 47.00 |
| Grand Z's Expenses, 1917..... | 75.00 |
| Stock..... | 165.65 |
| Interest Paid on Loans..... | 113.55 |
| Payments on Loans..... | 927.75 |
| Premiums on Insurance and Bonds..... | 9.80 |
| Regalia..... | 132.25 |
| Writing Charters..... | 15.00 |
| Scribe E's Stipend..... | 150.00 |
| Ordinary Expenses..... | 32.15 |
| Total Expenditure..... | \$2,281.35 |
| Cash in Bank, February 28, 1919..... | 1,261.67 |
| | <hr/> \$3,543.02 |

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1919**Receipts**

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| Annual Fees on 2,000 members at 50 cents..... | \$1,000.00 |
| Certificates and Registrations..... | 213.00 |
| Books, Forms, etc..... | 250.00 |
| Outstanding Accounts..... | 27.53 |
| | <hr/> \$1,490.53 |

Expenses

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| Office Furniture..... | \$ 50.00 |
| Postage, Express, etc..... | 75.00 |
| Printing and Stock..... | 300.00 |
| Interest on Loans..... | 90.00 |
| Grand Scribe E, salary..... | 300.00 |
| Payments on Loans..... | 500.00 |
| Outstanding Accounts..... | 16.85 |
| | <hr/> \$1,331.85 |

We recommend that seven hundred copies of the proceedings of this Convocation be printed and that the tender of the Albertan Job Department for the printing of the same, be accepted.

We also recommend that a filing cabinet be purchased for the Grand Scribe Ezra.

We also commend the Grand Scribe Ezra on the neat and careful manner in which he takes care of Grand Chapter business.

Fraternally submitted,

P. J. DEWIE
J. H. GREEN
J. H. ARGUE

On motion of V.E. Comp. P. J. Dewie, seconded by R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Audit and Finance be received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z, Officers and Members
of Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Your Committee on Condition of Capitular Masonry has carefully read the reports of the Grand Supts. Scribe E and Treasurer, and takes pleasure in noting the careful and painstaking manner with which these officers have performed their respective duties, thus setting a high standard for their successors.

We are pleased to note that the visit of the First Grand Principal and the Grand Supt. of District No. 1 to Mount Olivet No. 17 has resulted in increased interest being taken in the work of the chapter.

The recommendation of one of the Grand Supts. that a form be supplied on which certain information for use of Grand Scribe E be given, we heartily endorse.

We are also pleased to note that nearly all the Chapters have their paraphernalia insured and recommend that steps be taken at this Convocation of Grand Chapter that a rule be made whereby all Chapters insure their property.

By the reports of the Grand Supts., we congratulate the different Chapters on the manner in which the work is done.

Fraternally submitted,

J. N. RANKIN

J. ELLIOTT

W. E. MERCER

On motion of M.E. Comp. J. N. Rankin, seconded by V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Condition of Capitular Masonry be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Ex. Principals, Officers and Companions:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully beg to report that in the case of Capital City Chapter accepting as material Bro. A. C. Minty, of Fort George, out of the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, we would recommend that the thanks of the Grand Chapter be extended to the Grand Chapter of Canada for its courtesy in waiving jurisdiction in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. MERCER, *Chairman.*

W. T. COOTE

F. S. SELWOOD.

On motion of V.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer, seconded by R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the committee be adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Ex. the Grand Z, Officers and Companions
of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

We are pleased to state that under this heading your committee has nothing to report.

J. N. RANKIN

F. S. WATSON

N. T. MACLEOD

On motion of R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, seconded by R.E. Comp. H. Darling, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Ex. the Grand Z, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

M.E. Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Benevolence beg leave to report that last year this Grand Chapter placed at the disposal of your committee one hundred dollars for purposes of benevolence, but no requests were made from Subordinate Chapters for aid in this respect.

We are pleased to learn, however, that the Companions throughout the province have been active in this philanthropic work, and that no call has been overlooked by them.

We commend their zeal in this regard and trust that this fundamental principle of Capitular Masonry will always receive the immediate consideration of every Companion of our Order.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR
N. T. MACLEOD
J. H. GREEN

On motion of M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor, seconded by Ex.-Comp. J. H. Green, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Benevolence be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the M.E., the First Principal, the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Your Committee on the Fraternal Dead submit the following report:

During the year 1918-19 twenty-one of our membership, and twenty-three from Foreign Jurisdictions have dropped from our ranks and stepped beyond the Veil. Two-thirds of this loss from our ranks was due to the epidemic of the last five months, and one was among those who gave their all for us.

To our sister jurisdictions we extend the hand of most sincere companionship in their loss. We know how feeble and powerless words are here, yet they are our only means of extending our sympathy.

To our broken ranks, and saddened hearts, we also come with words—full of sympathy and hope, yes, of confidence, that: "The night of death is far spent"—and the dawn approaches.

To the bereaved, always, the words of the poet bring comfort, and understanding.

"Lie down and sleep;
Leave it with God to keep
This sorrow, which is part
Now, of Thy heart.
When thou shalt wake,
If still 'tis thine to take,
Utter no wild complaint,
Work waits thine hands,
If thou should'st faint,
He understands."

Today, as never before, those who have left our ranks for the time, and passed beyond our limited means of physical knowledge, seem to be nearer, dearer and more

real to us than ever before. I can no more explain it to you than I can explain my mother's love, or the beauty of a flower, or the melody of a child's laugh. I believe the last four years have taught us much, or should, and chiefly that:

"Beyond the petty and the selfish,
Beyond the sorrow and the pain,
Beyond the struggling and the striving,
We shall find our own again."

We respectfully suggest that suitable memorial pages be inscribed with the names of departed Companions of our sister jurisdictions and our own.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of your Committee,

H. DARLING

IN MEMORIAM

of Deceased Companions of Sister Jurisdictions

| | | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------|------------|
| Alabama..... | George Alburtus Joiner..... | Past Gd. Sec. | Dec. | 8th, 1919 |
| California..... | Charles L. Lott..... | P.G.H.P. | Sept. | 4th, 1918 |
| California..... | Charles W. Norton..... | P.G.H.P. | July | 11th, 1918 |
| Georgia..... | Marshall A. Weir..... | Grand Treas. | Nov. | 3rd, 1918 |
| Illinois..... | Marcus M. Lord..... | P.G.H.P. | March | 5th, 1918 |
| Iowa..... | Isaac T. Forbes..... | P.G.H.P. | Dec. | 7th, 1918 |
| Kansas..... | Matthew Murray Miller..... | P.G.H.P. | Nov. | 29th, 1918 |
| Maine..... | Stephen Berry..... | P.G. Sec. | Feb. | 1st, 1919 |
| Maryland..... | Charles Beatty Finley..... | P.G.H.P. | June | 16th, 1918 |
| Michigan..... | Leonard H. Randall..... | P.G.H.P. | June | 18th, 1918 |
| Michigan..... | Reuben Charles Webb..... | P.G.H.P. | Mar. | 9th, 1918 |
| Minnesota..... | Giles W. Merrill..... | P.G.H.P. | April | 27th, 1918 |
| Minnesota..... | Nathan Kingsley..... | P.G.H.P. | Sept. | 8th, 1918 |
| Nebraska..... | Julius J. Wilson..... | P.G.H.P. | June | 10th, 1918 |
| Nebraska..... | Frank H. O. Young..... | P.G.H.P. | Dec. | 24th, 1917 |
| New Jersey..... | Joseph Ely Fuller..... | P.G.H.P. | Dec. | 1st, 1917 |
| New York..... | Marvin J. Greenwood..... | P.G.H.P. | Dec. | 27th, 1917 |
| Nova Scotia..... | Luther B. Archibald..... | P.G.H.P. | Feb. | 10th, 1918 |
| Oregon..... | Henry T. Thielson..... | P.G.H.P. | April | 7th, 1918 |
| Texas..... | John P. Bell..... | P.G.H.P. | April | 3rd, 1918 |
| Texas..... | William A. Scott..... | P.G.H.P. | June | 1st, 1918 |
| Texas..... | Samuel M. Williams..... | P.G.H.P. | July | 24th, 1918 |
| Utah..... | Birt Griffin Blackman..... | P.G.H.P. | Dec. | 4th, 1918 |

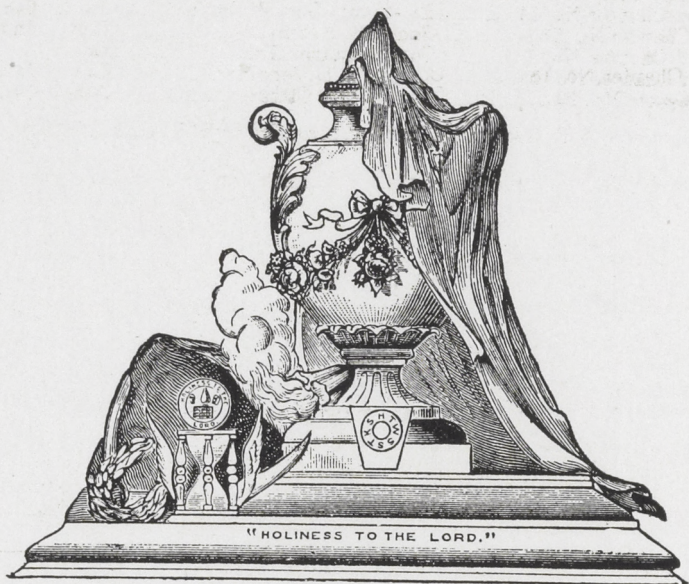
DECEASED COMPANIONS OF THIS JURISDICTION

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| Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | Simon J. Clarke..... | June 1st, 1918 |
| Alberta Chapter No. 1..... | Robert Nelson..... | 1918 |
| North Star Chapter No. 2..... | Comp. C. W. Field..... | Dec. 7th, 1918 |
| Assiniboia Chapter No. 3..... | Comp. William W. McNeely..... | Oct. 29th 1918 |
| Assiniboia Chapter No. 3..... | Comp. Robert Nelson..... | Jan. 1918 |
| Golden West Chapter No. 5..... | Comp. Roy L. Green..... | Oct. 10th, 1918 |
| Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6..... | Comp. H. C. R. Walker..... | July 13th, 1918 |
| Bekah Chapter No. 7..... | Comp. F. T. Davies..... | Oct. 27th, 1918 |
| Bekah Chapter No. 7..... | Comp. Eli J. Wells..... | Aug. 15th, 1918 |
| Kether Chapter No. 8..... | Comp. Hugh W. Pettit..... | Nov. 8th, 1918 |
| Otuskwan Chapter No. 9..... | Comp. O. A. Narroway..... | Nov. 27th, 1918 |
| Bow Valley Chapter No. 10..... | Comp. G. W. Boyd..... | Nov. 11th, 1918 |

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| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | Comp. David Ellison..... | Nov. 17th, 1918 |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | Comp. N. A. McRae..... | Dec. 19th, 1918 |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | Comp. John Morris..... | June 3rd, 1918 |
| Capital City Chapter No. 13..... | Comp. Jas. P. Simpson..... | Nov. 11th, 1918 |
| Vermilion Chapter No. 14..... | Ex.-Comp. Geo. W. Payne..... | Nov. 9th, 1918 |
| Hillvue Chapter No. 15..... | Comp. S. B. Smith..... | Nov. 2nd, 1918 |
| Norwood Chapter No. 18..... | Comp. Samuel Grills..... | Oct. 1918 |
| Norwood Chapter No. 18..... | Comp. L. D. Jenkinson..... | Dec. 5th, 1918 |
| Banff Chapter No. 20..... | Comp. S. J. Clarke..... | June 1st, 1918 |

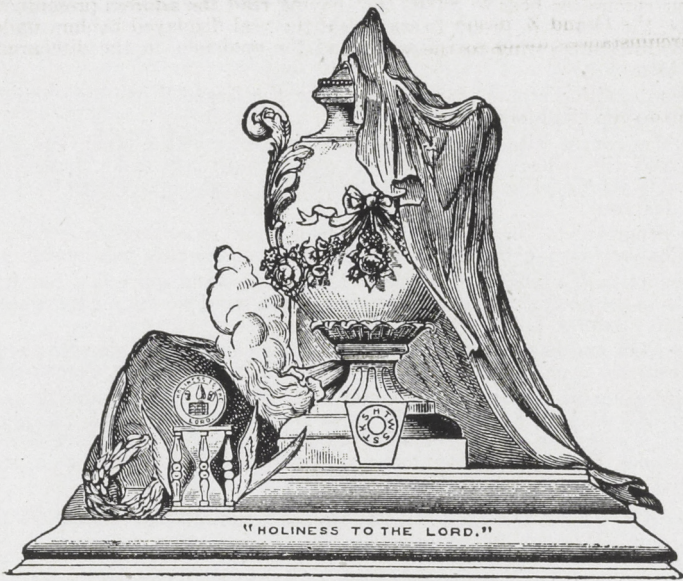
On motion of R.E. Comp. H. Darling, seconded by R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood,
it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be adopted



In Memory
of the
DECEASED COMPANIONS
OF SISTER JURISDICTIONS
For the Year
1918.

*"Death is no spectre grim, or thing to dread,
No spirit fraught with evil and with strife,
But just a portal that lies ahead,
And opens on the mys'eries of life."*



In Memory
of the
COMPANIONS OF OUR OWN
JURISDICTION
For the Year
1918.

*"Forget not the dead who have loved, who have left us,
Who bend o'er us now from their bright home above,
But believe, never doubt, that the God who bereft us
Permits them to mingle with friends they still love."*

—Albert Pike.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND Z's ADDRESS

To the Most Ex. the Grand Z, Officers and Members
of the Grand Chapter of Alberta:

Your committee begs to report that having read the address presented by the Most Ex. the Grand Z, desire to commend the zeal displayed by him under very trying circumstances owing to the war and the epidemic, in the discharge of his official duties.

We note with pleasure that the Most Ex. the Grand Z has been active in his visitation to the Chapters of Alberta.

We also concur with him in his various decisions, at the same time we would suggest that the officers of the Chapter and Companions make themselves conversant with the Constitution and thus prevent them asking questions the Constitution is clear on.

We congratulate Grand Chapter on being now recognized by practically all Grand Chapters throughout the world, and being on friendly relationship with all.

We note the Grand Z's reference to the influenza and appreciate the drawback to growth in membership by it, and bearing this in mind we can highly congratulate the Grand Chapter on its numerical increase.

The relief and help expended by the Chapters and Companions to the victims of the epidemic is only what we would expect from our Alberta Companions.

In reference to the dispensation granted to ballot on and confer degrees on a soldier of His Majesty's forces at the same Convocation, while we can appreciate the Grand Z's position and concur with him in his decision under these most trying circumstances, but we advise that this ruling should not be taken as a precedent for similar action under any other circumstances.

Fraternally submitted,

F. S. WATSON
S. Y. TAYLOR
J. N. RANKIN

On motion of M.E. Comp. F. S. Watson, seconded by M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on the Grand Z's address be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

To the M.E. the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members
of the Grand Chapter of Alberta, R.A.M.:

M.E., Sir and Companions:

In accordance with the practice of your committee in former years and the wish expressed by Grand Chapter, your committee has selected from the reports of Sister Grand Chapters such matter as possesses the greatest value in suggestion, encouragement and inspiration and now presents it in such form as it is hoped will enlist the interest of every member of Grand Chapter.

The purpose of the correspondence report as your committee understands it, should be to afford information to the membership as to what is transpiring in the Masonic world outside the particular jurisdiction for which the report is made. Some Grand Chapters forbid criticism of the doings of other Grand Chapters and with this attitude your committee would be inclined to agree. They believe if such a report tell the Companions of the work of Capitular Masonry throughout the world,

what it means and what it stands for according to the interpretation of thinking Masons, it cannot help but inspire us to keep in the van of progress. In spite of what we may say or think as to Masonry being an unchanging institution, it is a human institution and cannot help but be influenced by the march of progress. Grave changes throughout the world have taken place during the last four eventful years. The world is moving rapidly and Masonry must move with it. Our Companions need all the information obtainable regarding what is transpiring in the sphere of Masonry in other jurisdictions. The Mason who knows only his own Masonry is like the business man who knows nothing more than his own personal, private and peculiar methods; who never studies the operations of his associates and competitors, and whose business for that reason sooner or later dies of stagnation. Your committee venture to hope that their brief and somewhat meagre report of those conditions in other jurisdictions will meet with the approval of this Grand Chapter and recommend that the same as now submitted be received and printed with the proceedings.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR,
M. M. DOWNEY,
JNO. E. JOHNSON.

On motion of M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor, seconded by R.E. Comp. J. E. Johnson, it was

RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence be adopted.

PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED FROM GRAND CHAPTERS DURING 1918

Copies of Proceedings from the Grand Chapters enumerated below have been received and reviewed:

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| Alabama, 1917 | Louisiana, 1918 | Nova Scotia, 1917 |
| Arizona, 1918 | Maine, 1918 | Ohio, 1918 |
| Arkansas, 1917 | Maryland, 1917 and 1918 | Oklahoma, 1918 |
| California, 1918 | Massachusetts, 1917 | Oregon, 1917 and 1918 |
| Canada, 1918 | Michigan, 1918 | Quebec, 1918 |
| Colorado, 1918 | Minnesota, 1918 | Rhode Island, 1917 |
| Connecticut, 1918 | Mississippi, 1917 | Scotland, 1918 |
| Delaware, 1918 | Nevada, 1917 | South Carolina, 1917 |
| District Columbia, 1918 | Missouri, 1918 | South Dakota, 1918 |
| Florida, 1918 | New Brunswick, 1917 | Tennessee, 1918 |
| Georgia, 1918 | Nebraska, 1917 and 1918 | Utah, 1918 |
| Idaho, 1917 | New Hampshire, 1918 | Vermont, 1918 |
| Illinois, 1917 | New Mexico, 1917 | Victoria, 1918 |
| Iowa, 1917 | New York, 1918 | Virginia, 1917 |
| Indiana, 1918 | New South Wales, 1917 | Washington, 1918 |
| Ireland, 1918 | New Zealand, 1918 | Wisconsin, 1918 |
| Kansas, 1918 | North Carolina, 1917 | Wyoming, 1918 |
| Kentucky, 1917 | North Dakota, 1918 | Gen. Gd. Chapter, 1918 |

The following Grand Chapters have not favored this Grand Chapter with copies of their Proceedings:

England, Montana, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas, West Australia, West Virginia.

General Business

NOTICES OF MOTION

With the consent of the M. Ex. Grand Z, the notice of motion given by R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote was withdrawn.

R.E. Comp. N. T. Macleod having presented a notice of motion to re-arrange the boundaries of the several Chapters,—

On motion of R.E. Comp. M. M. Downey, seconded by R.E. Comp. J. F. Casteel, it was

RESOLVED, That a committee consisting of the incoming three Grand Principals, together with the Grand Scribe E, investigate conditions re jurisdiction of Chapters and report at the next annual Convocation.

On motion of R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, seconded by R.E. Comp. H. Darling, it was

RESOLVED, That the Grand Scribe E be authorized to procure suitable regalia for the use of the Grand Superintendents of the three Masonic Districts and Past Grand First Principal's jewels for M.E. Comps. S. Y. Taylor, J. N. Rankin and F. S. Watson.

On motion of V.E. Comp. P. J. Dewie, seconded by R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood, it was

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be conveyed to the Keystone Chapter No. 12 for the use of the Chapter rooms, and for the many courtesies extended to the Grand Chapter during this Convocation.

On motion of R.E. Comp. J. F. Casteel, seconded by R.E. Comp. J. E. Johnson, it was

RESOLVED, That a grant of ten dollars be made to Comp. Wm. Burns, Grand Janitor, for his services during this Convocation.

On motion of V.E. Comp. H. G. Jamieson, seconded by V.E. Comp. P. J. Dewie, it was

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the assembled Grand Chapter be tendered to R.E. Comp. J. E. Johnson for his faithful and efficient services as Grand Scribe E.

On motion of R.E. Comp. J. H. Argue, seconded by M.E. Comp. S. Y. Taylor, it was

RESOLVED, That a special committee be appointed to take into consideration the organization and administration of the Benevolent Fund of Grand Chapter, and report at next annual Convocation.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Most Excellent the Grand Z appointed M.E. Comps. J. N. Rankin, S. Y. Taylor and F. S. Watson as Scrutineers of the ballot.

The election of Grand Officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:

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| M.E. Comp. Melvin M. Downey..... | <i>Grand Z.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. Norman T. Macleod..... | <i>Grand H.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. Hiram Darling..... | <i>Grand J.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. John E. Johnson..... | <i>Grand Scribe E.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. Edwin C. Dunlop..... | <i>Grand Scribe N.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. Arthur W. R. Markley..... | <i>Grand Treasurer.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. W. A. Mahaffy..... | <i>Grand Prin. Sojourner.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. Jesse Elliott..... | <i>Grand Regis'rar.</i> |

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

Grand Chapter was then "called off" to enable the Districts to select their Grand Superintendents for the ensuing year.

On Grand Chapter resuming labor, the following nominations for District Superintendents were submitted to the M.E. the Grand Z, who was pleased to approve in each case, and the selections were confirmed:

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| R.E. Comp. W. J. Seed..... | Vermilion—District No. 1. |
| R.E. Comp. W. E. Mercer..... | Calgary—District No. 2. |
| R.E. Comp. W. H. Doty..... | Medicine Hat—District No. 3. |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following Companions were elected for the term of two years:

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| R.E. Comp. F. S. Selwood..... | Calgary |
| R.E. Comp. W. T. Coote..... | Red Deer |
| R.E. Comp. J. A. R. Powell..... | Edmonton |
| R.E. Comp. A. Hayr..... | Lethbridge |
| and V.E. Comp. G. E. Cruickshank | was elected for the term of one year in place of R.E. Comp. D. R. Cameron, who had resigned. |

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

The cities of Medicine Hat and Calgary having been nominated for the next annual Convocation on the 10th day of March, 1920, and being balloted on, the result showed that Calgary had received the majority of the votes, and that city was declared to be the choice of Grand Chapter.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

M.E. Comp. Stephen Y. Taylor, assisted by M.E. Comps. James N. Rankin and Fred S. Watson, and R.E. Comp. Fred S. Selwood, then proceeded with the installation and investiture of the newly elected Officers of Grand Chapter, who were then proclaimed and saluted according to ancient custom.

APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE

The following appointments by Most Excellent Comp. Melvin M. Downey, Grand Z, were subsequently announced:

Assistant Officers

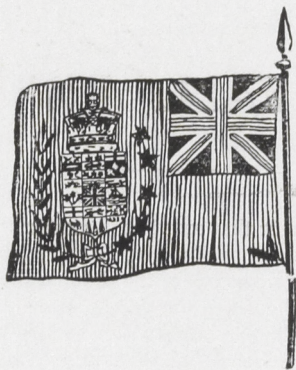
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| V.E. Comp. W. J. Stephenson..... | <i>Grand Senior Sojourner.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. J. J. Green..... | <i>Grand Junior Sojourner.</i> |
| R.E. Comp. J. H. Argue..... | <i>Grand Lecturer.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. R. H. Struthers..... | <i>Grand Sword Bearer.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. G. E. Cruickshank..... | <i>Grand Master 1st Veil.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. Harvey Brock..... | <i>Grand Master 2nd Veil.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. S. T. Fawcett..... | <i>Grand Master 3rd Veil.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. D. McLean..... | <i>Grand Master 4th Veil.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. M. B. Peacock..... | <i>Grand Director of Ceremonies.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. W. A. Ackland..... | <i>Grand Organist.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. D. A. Taylor..... | <i>Grand Pursuivant.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. A. N. Saddington..... | <i>Grand Steward.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. H. Macpherson..... | <i>Grand Steward.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. W. J. Haynes..... | <i>Grand Steward.</i> |
| V.E. Comp. H. D. McMillan..... | <i>Grand Steward.</i> |
| Comp. S. H. Davies..... | <i>Grand Janitor.</i> |

The labors of the Convocation being ended, Grand Chapter was closed in AMPLE FORM, at 5. p.m.

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Scribe E.



The following pages are
dedicated to our Compan-
ions who have served in
His Majesty's Forces in
The Great War.

“FALL IN!”

We thought that reason had mastered men,
 That peace of the world was lord,
 That never the roll of the drum again
 Should quicken the thirsty sword,
 But our bubble broke with a sudden blow
 And we heard, like the trumpet's din,
 That leveled the walls of Jericho,
 The old, stern cry—"Fall In !"

We were numb, amazed, we were sick and dazed,
 With horror past belief.
 Silent we stood while Belgium blazed
 In her martyr's glory of grief.
 Then it came so near that we needs must bear,
 For the cry of our murdered kin
 Drove in our hearts like a searching spear
 The call of the hour—Fall in !"

Not in the flush of a barren thrill
 Do we come to our deed at last,
 We have weighed our will, we must do our will,
 For the doubting time is past.
 We have faced our soul in the sleepless night,
 And what shall we fear but sin?
 Not for love of the fight, but for love of the right,
 In the name of God—"Fall in!"

—*Amelia J. Barr.*

“OVER THERE”

Close folded to thy valiant breast,
O France, our dead we leave,
Knight-errants of a selfless quest,
For whom we dare not grieve.

What land doth hold so rich a fee
Of hopes our dear land bred?
Our life, our love, our loyalty,
Thy fields have harvested.

No thronged street, no village lone
But sends a thought to shrine
Some grave our eyes may never own,
Yet pilgrim hearts divine.

O earth thrice hallowed to our race !
Great memories challenge thee—
Truth's liberty, hope's equal grace,
And love's fraternity.

Muriel E. Graham.

LAY DOWN YOUR ARMS

Lay down your arms, the long dark night is past,
The dawn has opened with the sun of peace;
Hushed is the strife, as, in a stricken world,
All conflicts cease.

Lay down your arms, no more shall fire and sword
Sow the red soil and claim the last dread cost;
Yet what we rendered in the bitter fight
Shall not be lost.

Lay down your arms, the cause is surely won,
The world is free by dominance of right;
And never more shall brutal power enthroned
Usurp by might.

Lay down your arms, and heal the broken hearts,
Repair the ruins and still the mourner's tears;
Rebuild the walls that fell before the riot—
Of tragic years.

Lay down your arms, accept the sacred care
Of them who sacrificed that we might live;
Is there for them a recompense too great—
That we can give?

Lay down your arms, and learn anew the faith,
That justice, truth, and honor must prevail;
Great be the cost, yet now we surely know—
God does not fail.

Major H. V. S. Carey.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS SINCE ORGANIZATION, 29th MAY, 1914

| <i>Grand Officers</i> | 1914 | 1915 | 1916 | 1917 | 1918 | 1919 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Grand Z..... | S. Y. Taylor..... | J. N. Rankin..... | F. S. Watson..... | Robert Patterson..... | A. R. Dickson..... | M. M. Downey..... |
| Grand H..... | F. S. Watson..... | F. S. Watson..... | R. Patterson..... | A. R. Dickson..... | M. M. Downey..... | N. T. Macleod..... |
| Grand J..... | T. C. Bruce..... | T. C. Bruce..... | A. R. Dickson..... | M. M. Downey..... | N. T. Macleod..... | H. Darling..... |
| Grand Scribe E..... | M. M. Downey..... | M. M. Downey..... | M. M. Downey..... | J. E. Johnson..... | J. E. Johnson..... | J. E. Johnson..... |
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| 15 | Hillvue | Hillcrest | Wednesday on or before Full Moon | Allan Ross | J. Dan McDonald | 28 | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 29 | 1 | | |
| 16 | Tau Cross | Clareholm | 2nd Tuesday | H. O. Haslam | Rev. Jos. Phoenix | 34 | 2 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 36 | 2 | | |
| 17 | Mt. Olivet | Killam | Wednesday after New Moon | W. D. Graham | F. E. Nichol | 22 | 4 | .. | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 27 | 5 | | |
| 18 | Norwood | Edmonton | 1st Wednesday | J. J. Green | G. W. Potter | 66 | 3 | .. | .. | 3 | .. | 2 | 64 | .. | 2 | |
| 19 | The Hiram | Youngstown | 1st Wednesday after Full Moon | O. Cowin | J. W. N. Beamish | 38 | 9 | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 47 | 9 | | |
| 20 | Banff | Banff | 1st Thursday after Full Moon | R. L. McIveen | J. L. Arden | 24 | 5 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 29 | 5 | | |
| 20 | CHAPTERS | | | | TOTALS | 1871 | 156 | 22 | 8 | 48 | 76 | 21 | 1912 | 79 | 38 | 41 |

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| 1 | Alberta | Calgary | 1st Wednesday | E. F. Doolan | J. N. Rankin | 239 | 16 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 252 | 13 | | |
| 2 | North Star | Edmonton | 2nd Tuesday | F. J. Folinsbee | M. C. Wright | 247 | 21 | 3 | .. | 11 | 30 | 1 | 229 | .. | 18 | |
| 3 | Assinoboia | Medicine Hat | 3rd Thursday | Sam T. Fawcett | R. M. Mapier | 149 | 12 | 1 | .. | 2 | .. | 2 | 158 | 9 | | |
| 4 | Shekinah | Lethbridge | 4th Wednesday | J. E. Rannard | D. A. Taylor | 109 | 8 | .. | 3 | 3 | .. | .. | 117 | 8 | | |
| 5 | Golden West | High River | Monday on or before Full Moon | J. H. Green | P. G. Thomas | 106 | 1 | 1 | .. | 2 | 3 | 1 | 102 | .. | 4 | |
| 6 | Mt. Horeb | Wetaskiwin | 4th Thursday | R. W. Manley | M. A. Le Beau | 81 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 78 | .. | 3 | |
| 7 | Bekah | Macleod | 1st Tuesday | John Allan | D. L. Murison | 69 | 1 | 1 | .. | 3 | 6 | 2 | 60 | .. | 9 | |
| 8 | Kether | Pincher Creek | 1st Thursday on or after Full Moon | H. A. Gunn | D. Thomson | 32 | 5 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 36 | 4 | | |
| 9 | Otuskwaw | Calgary | 3rd Thursday | W. A. Ackland | W. S. Davidson | 129 | 11 | 1 | .. | 8 | 5 | 1 | 127 | .. | 2 | |
| 10 | Bow Valley | Gleichen | 2nd Wednesday after Full Moon | T. W. Bates | R. H. Struthers | 73 | 11 | .. | .. | 2 | .. | 1 | 81 | 8 | | |
| 11 | Calgary | Calgary | 2nd Wednesday | C. R. Wentzel | J. H. Argue | 88 | 12 | 6 | .. | .. | 10 | .. | 96 | 8 | | |
| 12 | Keystone | Red Deer | 3rd Friday | W. J. Stephenson | A. H. Moyes | 86 | 2 | .. | .. | 1 | .. | .. | 87 | 1 | | |
| 13 | Capital City | Edmonton | 2nd Friday | G. S. Armstrong | D. McIntosh | 196 | 26 | 1 | .. | 5 | 15 | 4 | 199 | 3 | | |
| 14 | Vermilion | Vermilion | Tuesday after Full Moon | A. W. Ebbitt | A. Yungblut | 55 | 3 | 1 | .. | .. | .. | 1 | 58 | 3 | | |

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The next annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter will be held in the City of Calgary on the second Wednesday in March, being the 10th day of March, 1920.

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APPENDIX

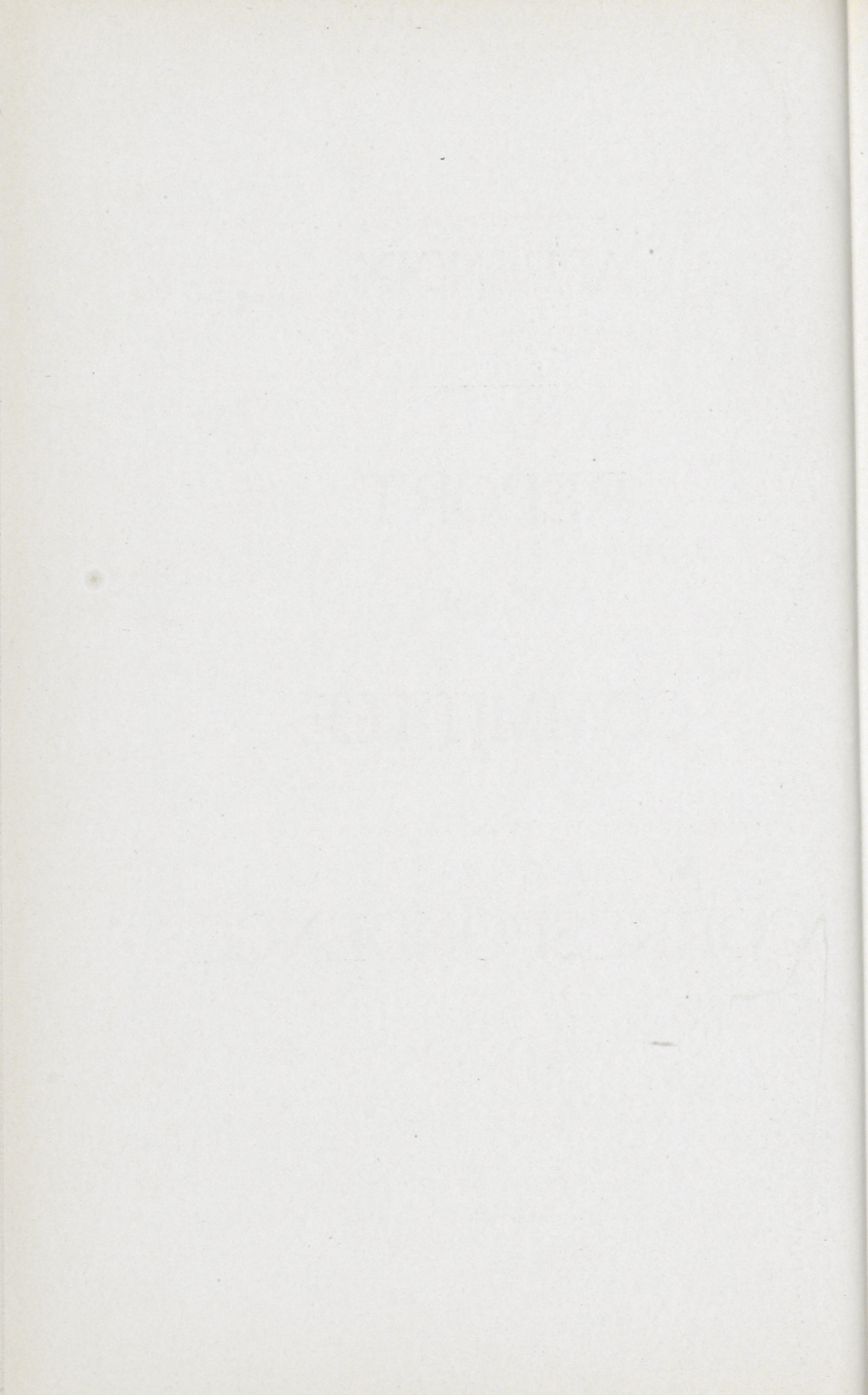
REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE

ON

CORRESPONDENCE



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

Following the course adopted last year, your committee have compiled what they consider to be some of the most important topics and events transpiring in Capitular Masonry in Sister Grand Jurisdictions. Your committee are desirous that their report shall be informative, suggestive and of practical value to the Craft. The compilation of unrelated facts will not achieve this purpose, nor is it possible to discern profit in the controversies which certain correspondence committees find so delectable.

In submitting this report, your committee wish to say that much matter of real instruction and interest has been left out in order that they might make their report as brief as possible. Too often lengthy reports on correspondence are simply printed and then relegated to the limbo of filed matter without any real benefit being derived from them.

The purpose of this report is to advise the Companions of Alberta as briefly as possible regarding current Masonic thought and action in other jurisdictions with the view that they may profit by the example and experience of others. Your committee are painfully aware that they fail in much to approximate their own ideal and that perfection to be desired, but trust that the kindness of the Companions will overlook all those deficiencies which their wisdom and good taste will easily discover.

The committee have entered into no controversy with anyone and instead of giving their own opinions, have preferred to give in the writer's own language his arguments on the question under discussion.

Fraternally submitted,

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| S. Y. TAYLOR | } <i>Committee.</i> |
| M. M. DOWNEY | |
| J. E. JOHNSON | |

DECISIONS RENDERED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS

1. The fact that a member is square upon the books at the time he makes application for a demit entitles him to one when Chapter meets, even though it may be several months. A Chapter should not permit a Companion to suffer for its own shortcomings.—Tennessee, 1918.
2. A dispensation is always granted to a Chapter. The Chapter, and not its officers, should ask for dispensation.—Wisconsin, 1918.
3. The Grand High Priest has no power to grant a dispensation to ballot upon a petition at a Special Convocation.—Wisconsin, 1918.
4. A Companion in arrears for dues in a Chapter and not suspended can hold office in another Chapter.—Canada, 1918.
5. The signer of a petition for dispensation is liable for dues under the Chapter's by-laws unless he has requested the removal of his name from the petition.—Canada, 1918.
6. A non-affiliate Brother in good standing is eligible to make application for membership to a Chapter.—Canada, 1918.
7. A Brother whose residence is Chicago, visiting in the jurisdiction during the summer, is not eligible for the degrees except a waiver is granted from Illinois, a proper ballot taken and dispensation issued.—Canada, 1918.

8. An organist is not a serving Companion and thereby entitled to admission free of fee.—Canada, 1918.

9. A re-elected First Principal must be installed, but the full ceremony is not necessary.—Canada, 1918.

10. Grand Officers other than the Grand High Priests are entitled to be received with Grand Honors.—California, 1918.

11. Application for exaltation in a Chapter by a Mark Master made in an English Mark Masons Lodge is the same as that of any other Master Mason except the Mark degree is recognized as valid.—Canada, 1918.

12. A Mark Master made in Scotland may apply for the Chapter degrees. As there is quite a material difference between the ritual of the Mark Master's degree in Scotland and the Chapter Mark Master, it is necessary for the Brother to take the whole series of degrees as any other Master Mason.—Louisiana, 1918.

13. It is not permissible to elect a Secretary of a Chapter from the membership of another Chapter.—Wisconsin, 1918.

14. A duly installed First Principal of a Chapter who attends to his duties for three months, who is absent for at least one year thereafter, is eligible to be installed as Immediate Past Z of his Chapter and to rank as a Past Z.—Canada, 1918.

15. The loss of an arm by a worthy Master Mason does not debar him from receiving the Capitular degrees.—Canada, 1918.

16. Physical qualification for initiation into Freemasonry is a landmark applying only to the making of Free Masons.—Pennsylvania, 1917.

17. Physical disability after becoming a Master Mason does not disqualify a Brother from Chapter degrees, provided said disability would not interfere with his imparting to others the secret work of the Order.—Texas, 1917.

18. No dispensation is necessary to use two substitutes in conferring the Royal Arch degree.—North Carolina, 1917.

19. A Brother suspended for N.P.D. in a Craft Lodge is thereby automatically suspended in his Chapter.—Canada, 1918.

20. That it is illegal and improper to confer any of the Capitular degrees on Sunday.—Arizona, 1918.

21. That this Grand Chapter condemns the use of the Chapter Seal upon receipts for dues and prohibits such use.—Maryland, 1918.

22. That the forming of clubs with monthly payments, thereby securing the initiation fees for the club members *seriatim* and chosen by lot, be emphatically forbidden, as being prejudicial to the dignity of Royal Arch Masonry.—Maryland, 1918.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR,

Chairman Foreign Correspondence Committee.

FRATERNAL RECOGNITION

The chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America reported as follows:

"It is a matter of sincere congratulation that the unhappy differences existing at the time of our last General Grand Convocation between the Grand Chapter of Canada and the Grand Chapter of Alberta have been amicably adjusted and recognition has been extended to the Grand Chapter of Alberta by the Grand Chapter of Canada thus closing an unfortunate incident and thoroughly justifying this General Grand Chapter three years ago in refusing to declare the Grand Chapter of Alberta irregular or clandestine. The right hand of fellowship is extended to the Grand Chapter of Alberta and the good wishes of this General Grand Chapter are hereby tendered.

"The so-called St. Andrews Grand Chapter of Belgium, located in London, appears to be without standing at present and the action of the General Grand Secretary in bringing to the attention of the various Grand Chapters its exact status is hereby approved. While your committee is desirous of extending fraternal assistance to Capital Masonry wherever properly established, it seems wiser to wait the return of Peace and the restoration of this unhappy country before attempting to establish a Grand Chapter there or recognize in the slightest manner a Grand Chapter whose organization is obscure and which, even if organized, is at present without a country or jurisdiction.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

The location of the proposed memorial to Washington the Mason is an idea site for a commemorative building. The spot on which this memorial will stand was once selected by Thomas Jefferson as the site upon which to erect the Capitol of the United States. On every hand the view stretches away for miles, and the panorama, near and distant, includes places, objects and landmarks that are indissolubly associated with our country's history and that are calculated to arouse the enthusiasm and inspire the zeal of all who appreciate American citizenship and glory in the achievements of our fathers. To the traveller on all the railroad routes, as well as from the steamships that ply on the Potomac, the memorial will be in full view, and standing there "in the eye of the sun" will proclaim to the people from every land the story of Washington's association with, and affection for, our great Fraternity.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Geo. B. Winslow, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, in his annual address says:

"I presume the Grand Secretary will make a report of the appointments made, commissions received, issued and renewed for Grand Representatives at and near this and other Grand Chapters.

"Following a custom, I filled such vacancies as came to my knowledge, and took such steps as I was requested to take, feeling that neither good nor harm could come therefrom, and believing that there was some law authorizing, if not requiring it.

"Since then I have made what I believe to be a careful examination of the laws of this Grand Chapter, and also of the General Grand Chapter, and if there is any law requiring or even authorizing their appointment, I have failed to find it.

"I can conceive of no earthly use for the system, and about the only excuse I have ever heard for it was given privately in this Grand Chapter several years ago,

when we were consuming the time of this Grand Chapter in going through the form of introducing the Grand Representatives to this Grand Chapter, a Companion said to me in all seriousness: 'Oh, of course, it amounts to nothing, but it reads well in the Proceedings, when it shows that they were called up and introduced.' For several years past I have been called up and introduced under the grand title of 'The Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut at and near the Grand Chapter of Kentucky,' and as I recall each year that I have held this office under an appointment made about twenty-five years ago, and have had no duties to perform during all that time, I feel that the office is a joke, and that it is sailing under false pretenses to stand up each year and be introduced to this Grand Chapter under such a high-sounding title. It is 'as sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal.' It is substantially an infringement or trespass upon the rights of the Committee on 'Doings of Other Grand Chapters.'

"I recommend that all such appointments by the Grand Chapter of Kentucky be revoked, and that so far as this Grand Chapter is concerned, no further attention be paid to this useless practice."—Kentucky, 1917.

This recommendation was approved by Grand Chapter.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri passed the following resolution:

"That when a Grand Representative shall fail to attend the annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter for two successive years the Grand High Priest shall request the Grand High Priest of the Grand Jurisdiction which he represents to declare the position vacant and recommend some suitable Companion to be his successor."—Missouri, 1918.

MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The President of this Association made the following report to the Companions of the General Grand Chapter at its last Convocation:

"I think it eminently proper that I should, as President of the Masonic War Relief Association, make a statement to the General Grand Chapter as to the activities of this Association during the past three years. The Royal Arch Masons and Royal Arch Bodies of the Country have contributed to the Association \$27,362.

"As you know, this Association was organized in 1914 before there was any thought that the United States would become involved in the world war now raging. The purpose of the Association was to afford relief to our brother Masons in the war zone. The fact that the United States has become a party to the war has put a different face upon the matter and has interfered considerably with the donations to this very worthy cause.

"The total amount of money collected during the four years by the Association is \$111,908.65, \$35,256.88 of which has been sent to different points in Europe in the relief of Masons and their families, leaving on hand, the principal amount of which is deposited in savings banks drawing interest, \$76,651.77. In the beginning of the Association we sent money to different countries in Europe, including some money sent to several Grand Lodges in Germany. Of course, this sending of money to Germany has been stopped and our efforts at present are devoted largely to the support and relief of a Masonic Orphanage at Paris, France, which under the direct management of Scottish Rite Lodges of France, is caring for 210 double orphans, all the children of Masons. Notwithstanding this fact, we have only received \$2,330.00 from Scottish Rite Masons and Scottish Rite Bodies in this country. Another worthy object to which we have made large contributions is to the Masonic War Hospital of London, England. Most of this money in Europe has been dispensed by a committee of American Masons in England.

"The total amount of appropriations which we have promised for the year 1918, for war relief in Europe is \$40,000.00. This includes, of course, what we have

already sent over during the year and what will be sent during the remainder of the year.

"I regret to say that I am afraid that the Masonic Bodies of the United States have made a great mistake in not joining all of their forces in the way of relief. Every separate body seems to be disposed to act upon its own hook. The combined or co-ordinate efforts of all of the Masons of the country, if brought about, would produce funds and the opportunity to do something worth while. Many of the Grand Bodies have raised money among themselves which they are holding or using separately according as each body thinks best, which, if we could all use in one combined effort, the results would be commensurate with the honor and dignity of the Masonic Fraternity and produce results incomparably more important than is being accomplished by the present method."

MEMBERSHIP IN CHAPTER DEPENDENT UPON MEMBERSHIP IN LODGE

Should a suspended member in a Craft Lodge be allowed to hold a membership in a Chapter? Many Grand Chapters do not grant this privilege.

Membership in a constituent Chapter of this Grand Chapter shall be conditioned on membership in a regular Lodge of Master Masons, and any severance of membership in a Lodge of Master Masons shall constitute a like severance of membership in a constituent Chapter.—Oregon, 1918.

Whenever a Master Mason has been suspended from membership in the Lodge of Master Masons, wherein his membership is held, for non-payment of dues, such suspension shall extend and apply to his membership in the Chapter of Royal Arch Masons wherein his membership is held and shall continue until satisfactory evidence of action taken by him or by the Lodge of Master Masons from which he was suspended, terminating such suspension, is presented to the Chapter, in which event suspension in the Chapter shall also cease.—Oregon, 1918.

The restoration to good standing by a Lodge, of any Companion who has been suspended by it for any cause, and where no action has been had in his case directly by the Chapter, restores him to good standing in the Chapter.—Arizona, 1918.

If a member of a Chapter shall become a non-affiliate Mason and voluntarily remain so for twelve months, he shall forfeit his privileges as a Royal Arch Mason.

QUOTATIONS FROM ADDRESSES OF SPECIAL MERIT

The Grand High Priest, in fitting language, called attention to the fact that the Grand Chapter was fortunate in there having been no death to report in our Permanent Membership during the past six months, and in continuing his remarks, said:

"As we meet in quarterly Convocation just previous to our summer suspension from Masonic labor, we should be duly impressed with the fact that we are permitted to lay down only a small portion of our burden, and that our duties and responsibilities as loyal citizens of this Republic are increased a hundred-fold; that before us lay rough and rugged paths which we must travel ere we arrive at the goal of our ambition. As individuals, many have entered upon its path with willing and eager footsteps, swinging the burden to the shoulder with a shout of welcome, allowing no personal interest or ambition to interfere with a supreme effort to win this war of ours. I regret that I feel impelled to repeat what I stated at our September Convocation: That Freemasonry as a National Institution has failed to grasp the opportunity to realize its mission in broad and universal action in some form of moral and financial assistance to our brethren in this war.

"Various Grand Lodges, our own among them, have established war relief funds, which will in the near future prove of great help, but Massachusetts cannot do it all. New York cannot do it all; no small combination of Grand Lodges can

do it all, without the co-ordination of effort by all the Grand Lodges of these United States. We need a strong National Committee, fathered by the lawful authority of the Grand Lodges, to combine the willing efforts and great force of nearly two millions of Masons in this country.

"I am the last person in the world to advocate a National Grand Lodge, but a Committee of Grand Masters could well be constituted for national action, in which other Masonic bodies with national jurisdiction would and should willingly co-operate without disturbing in the least the sovereignty of their Grand Lodges.

"The honor rolls and service flags of our Masonic bodies show that no particular class of men have so willingly given up their personal ambitions to further the great cause of human liberty. Have they not the right to expect of us that the great Fraternity to which we all belong shall unite in some great effort to make the dream of universal brotherhood come true?

"They die, that the ideal of Freemasonry may live; we live and allow petty differences of opinion about matters of insignificant details, to prevent the accomplishment of great deeds of moral and patriotic worth. I believe that every Freemason is waiting expectantly for this Fraternity to do something worthy of its influence, its traditions and its present membership.

"It is only a question of ways and means, and while we hesitate the golden opportunity is slipping away from us; an opportunity, at last, to make the dream of Freemasonry come true. For when this war is over, there will be a desperate need for some common ground where men of different countries, sects and opinions may meet; some sacred place where creeds, religions and nationalities are not questioned, but where all men can meet and realize their ideals of Liberty, Justice and Charity. And where can a better place be found than at the Altar of Freemasonry where the only creed is that of love; where the only faith is that of one common Fatherhood. There, built upon the Altar of Freemasonry, could be laid the foundation of that ideal temple of the democracy of the world, the Pyramid of Life where every man shall serve his brother and, in serving him, shall best serve his God."

"Then to my dreaming eyes there did appear,
As far as eye could reach, a verdant plain,
And soldiers tilled the soil where they of old
Did slay their brethren, scatter seeds of pain,
Did reap wild curses, burning as they slew,
Destroying all the strength of every age.

"They tilled the soil, and builded temples new,
And writ yet better deeds for History's page,
And all the land did blossom as the rose,
The wilderness did laugh and joyful sing,
Around the Pyramid assembled all
And made the Heavens above with praises ring."

—Massachusetts, 1918.

"Four years ago in my address to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado I expressed the hope that the God of our fathers would hasten the time when princes and rulers would beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; when nation would not lift up sword against nation; but in the light of subsequent events the fulfilment of that hope seems long deferred. Little did we believe then that in so short a time thousands of the bravest and best of fair Columbia's sons would be called upon to make the supreme sacrifice. We did not think then that hundreds of thousands of the boys in khaki would be marching under the Stars and Stripes in a foreign land willing and ready to leave their blood stains on the fields of France. But there they are—the fairest and the best—the boys you

and I love most—fighting for Liberty, Justice and Equality. The world is at war. The horrors pictured on the pages of past history are insignificant in comparison with the events of today. We wonder if the passions of men have even begun to be subdued; if the worm striving to be a man has made any progress towards the light; if the cry of innocent babies impaled on the bayonets of inhuman monsters has reached the ear of the Omnipotent. The story of the human race has been one long struggle since the dawn of man's evolution from the lower forms of life, when, as a thinking creature, he lifted his yearning hands to something invisible. It has ever been a struggle onward and upward for something better, and let us hope that out of the wrongs, injustice and oppression of the past, that somehow, somewhere, he may receive his recompense. And we may well believe that when our boys come sailing home with victory on their banners that it will mark the beginning of a brighter and better day for all the nations of the earth.

"While the events of history, for six thousand years or more give us no hope that this will be the end of war, yet we can confidently believe that for generations to come, 'the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law.'"—Address of Grand High Priest, Colorado, 1918.

"The most common features that I might say need correction, are Officers being late in opening the Chapter, or permitting too much delay in preparation. This is tiring to the Companions on the side lines. It discourages attendance and destroys the pleasure and beauty of the work. A lack of dignity among the officers injures the work both with the membership and the candidates. A prevailing fault particularly in the Royal Arch Degree is too much levity displayed by the membership and frequently by the officers. Candidates are diverted from the thought of the discovery of a most sacred treasure in the vault, by unguarded remarks of others witnessing the work. We are prompted to wonder if a well-known celluloid comedy company received the suggestion for its name by witnessing the removing of the Keystone in one of our Chapters. I would urge that the importance of the discovery of the Sacred Ark of the Covenant, and its holy place in the ruins of the temple be impressed upon the candidates. We are past our boyhood Sunday-school days, and we give too little attention to the spiritual side of our lives. Let us remind ourselves once in a while of our dependence upon God. Let us pause and think of His Blessings we are enjoying. Let us get in the atmosphere of the rugged path of our own lives, and apply the lessons of the Royal Arch to our own use and benefit. Let us not magnify the importance of a Grand Lecturer's interpretation of a printed ritual or the mechanical portion of a Deputy's instruction. Let us put our souls at work and it will find expression in our voices and our actions. Let our officers take more seriously the fact that in them the Fraternity has entrusted the responsibility of preserving its purity, its dignity and its usefulness. Every candidate is a unit in our great institution—a stone in our building. Does our work in building our Royal Craft pass the Overseer's Square, or by our inefficient work are we permitting good material to be improperly finished and its usefulness lost or impaired? The crow, pickaxe, and spade will yield no results unless they are put into service. Then they will yield treasures. Our treasures can only be preserved by placing them in proper custody. Our officers are the custodians. May they be faithful to their trust. 'For then and only then can they feel that Friendship, that Union, that Zeal and that Purity of Heart which should actuate everyone who would appropriate to himself the proud title of a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.'"—Extract from Address of Grand High Priest, California, 1918.

A NOVEL ROYAL ARCH MEETING IN SHANGHAI, CHINA

(Masonic Standard)

Probably the most novel situation existing anywhere, as regards Capitular Masonry, is found at Shanghai, China, where three Chapters, each of a distinct Grand Jurisdiction, different not only in the ritual followed but in the degrees worked, meet in the same building and labor side by side in fraternal harmony.

Zion Chapter, chartered by the Grand Chapter of England, works only the Royal Arch degree, the Mark being conferred (as in England) in a separate body, which in Shanghai is Orient Mark Masters' Lodge. Rising Sun Chapter, under the Grand Chapter of Scotland, works the Mark, Most Excellent and Royal Arch degrees, while Keystone Chapter No. 1, organized in 1871, under the General Grand Chapter of the United States, confers the usual four degrees of American Capitular Masonry. Two lodges chartered by the Grand Lodge of Scotland also meet in the same building and work the Mark degree in connection with the Fellowcraft.

The unusual opportunities thus presented for a comparison of the different forms of Capitular Masonry led the High Priests of this year to plan a comparative exemplification at which different bodies, each working the same degrees in its own way, should meet the same night in the same hall.

At the next meeting of Keystone it was decided to observe the occasion by conferring the Royal Arch degree, followed by a dinner in which members of other bodies would be invited.

Beginning at 6 p.m., the R.A. degree was conferred on a team consisting of Bros. Thomas Sammons (American consul-general at Shanghai), G. T. Petrocelli and Thomas J. Broderick. The officers, who were all in full costume and regalia, exemplified the work.

ST. ANDREW'S GRAND CHAPTER IN BELGIUM

An organization calling itself St. Andrew's Grand Chapter in Belgium, but having its present headquarters in London, England, has applied to the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky for recognition as a Royal Arch Chapter. This recognition had previously been requested of the Supreme Grand Chapter of England, and it appears, through a considerable correspondence, that while the Supreme Grand Chapter of England was perfectly willing that any Mason from Belgium, whether operating under the Grand Orient of Belgium or not, should hold their meetings and transact their business in England during the great war yet the Supreme Grand Chapter of England did not recognize these Belgium Masons as regular; and, in fact, refused to give Masonic recognition to the Grand Orient of Belgium.

The papers in the case and the correspondence contained therein have been referred to the Committee on Doings of Other Grand Chapters, and that committee desires to report that even previous to the referring of this matter to it by the Grand High Priest, much attention had been paid to the efforts of the Belgium Masons, acting under the Grand Orient of Belgium, to obtain recognition from Free and Accepted Masons in both America and England.

It may be that, acting under the sympathetic bond which, during the awful war, has made the whole civilized world kin, some Masonic bodies have tendered official or Masonic recognition to St. Andrew's Grand Chapter in Belgium; but, notwithstanding the war, and looking along the eternal line which requires strict regularity in Freemasonry and unqualified tests in Royal Arch Masonry, and looking beyond the mere personality which enthrones the human heart at present, your committee is of the opinion that it would be unwise to give official Masonic recognition to St. Andrew's Grand Chapter in Belgium at this time.

When the Supreme Grand Chapter of England has seen fit to recognize the Grand Orient of Belgium, or when the General Grand Chapter of the United States sees fit to consider such recognition, then it will be time for the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, looking with cautious eye and careful consideration into all the premises, to take this recognition into serious consideration.

With Belgium and her people we have now a common cause in war. To all her citizens there comes out from the great American people the deepest sympathy and broadest charity. That sympathy and charity which we extend to them we are backing up with a great army, great supplies and money. We are making common cause against her common enemy, but all this does not justify Kentucky Royal Arch Masons in recognizing a so-called Masonic Order which has no regular recognition in England or America.

Therefore, considering all the premises, your committee recommends that the further consideration of this matter be postponed until the Supreme Grand Chapter of England has formally recognized the St. Andrew's Grand Chapter in Belgium; and until that recognition is officially given, that the request of St. Andrew's Grand Chapter in Belgium be denied.—Kentucky, 1918.

“THE YORK RITE”

In the United States there are two Masonic Rites, known as the York Rite and the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Both are misnomers if the name of the Rite is to indicate its parentage or birthplace. The York Rite was not born in the ancient city of York, neither was the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite begotten in Scotland.

The so-called York Rite is the result of an evolution in England, from a one-degree operative Craft of 1717 to a system of degree of six or more as now practiced in the United States, Canada, England, Scotland and Ireland, and it is the most universally recognized Rite in the world. The Scottish Rite was evolved from the Rite of Perfection of twenty-five degrees by the addition of eight more at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1801, where the Mother Supreme Council was formed. If either one of the Rites is to be known as the American Rite, the title probably belonged to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. To designate the so-called York Rite in the United States as the American Rite would be even more absurd than to call it the York Rite, for it is neither.

What is meant by the word Rite? A Rite is defined as “A custom of practice of a formal kind; a formal procedure of a religious or solemn observance.” But such a religious or solemn procedure of observance must have a definite end or purpose. It must have a goal idea. A central idea which the ceremony or procedure is intended to convey. The ceremony may be brief or voluminous, plain or ornate, but the central idea must be maintained and attained, as in the Rite of Baptism, in the Rite of Marriage, in the Rite of the Holy Sacrament, etc. The central idea or pivot around which all Masonic ceremonies or degrees must revolve is the Loss, the Recovery and the Interpretation of the Master's Word. This goal idea must be the nucleus of a system of degrees and without which no system of degrees can be called a Rite. Any series of degrees, however intimately connected, that does not contain the central idea of Loss, Recovery and Interpretation, cannot be called a Masonic Rite. This is the goal or pivot of the so-called York Rite. The number of degrees in a Rite is merely incidental. It matters not whether there are three or thirty-three degrees, provided the central idea, the end of all Masonic symbolism, is present.

The Loss and Recovery with a positive interpretation, or the Loss and Recovery with a general or individual interpretation, is the very essence of a Rite. The Loss is symbolized in the Craft or Lodge Degrees, the Recovery is symbolized in the Royal Arch. In the York Rite the interpretation of the symbolism of the Royal Arch is left to the individual interpretation of the Royal Arch Mason, or it finds its positive and special interpretation in the Light of the New Dispensation, as taught in the Masonic Order of Christian Knighthood. The Three Craft, or Blue Lodge Degree, the Royal Arch, and the United Orders of the Temple and of the Malta are the essential grades of the York Rite. The Mark, Past, Most Excellent, Royal, Select Degrees and the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross are not essential, nor essentially necessary to the York Rite, but they are great aids in the elucidation

of the symbolism of the central idea of the Rite and they adorn and magnify the Rite. The Lodge Degrees, the Royal Arch, and the Masonic Orders of Christian Knighthood constitute the so-called "York Rite". To eliminate the Royal Arch would be like removing the keystone of an arch, and the whole fabric of the Rite would crumble and fall.

In essentials, the York Rite is the same in the United States as it is in every province or country in the British Empire; in other words, it is essentially the same in the Anglo-Saxon world. But each country has its own system. In the United States it consists of seven degrees and three orders; in Canada of six degrees and three orders, although Canada has added the Most Excellent Degree in the Chapter and the Red Cross of the Commandery to harmonize, for the purpose of visitation with the United States; in England, it consists of four degrees and two orders; in Ireland, of five degrees and two orders; in Scotland, the system conforms closely to that of Ireland. The Most Excellent Degree is unknown in the British Empire, except in Canada; in England, the Mark Master's Degree is under the control of a Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons. The Red Cross, known in Great Britain as the Babylonish Pass, or Red Cross of Babylon, is under the control of three different Masonic Grand Bodies.

It will be noted that in the countries mentioned the number of degrees in the Rite varies; even the degrees bearing the same name vary in ceremonies of presenting the same truth. The Master's Degree in Pennsylvania varies much from the same degree in the other states, yet symbolically it is the same. The Royal Arch in the United States is more dramatic in its form than that of England or Canada, yet in essentials it is the same. The Order of the Temple in the English ritual is brief; in the Canadian ritual it is more elaborate and has its military features; in the United States, it is more wordy, possibly more ornate and dramatic, yet it is essentially the same in all of these countries. The rituals of the Order of Malta in these countries are so near alike that a person that is conversant with one can readily use the other; even a casual observer can readily see that this so-called "York Rite," in essentials, is the same everywhere where the English language is spoken. The Concordat adopted in 1910 by the Temple Powers of the World emphasizes the great fact.

The name "York Rite" is an inexcusable blunder; at least an unfortunate mistake. There never was a York Rite. It is unnecessary to enter upon any discussion as to the claims of the York Grand Lodge or a York system of Freemasonry as the question has been settled beyond controversy. The name "York Rite" is an inheritance from the forefathers of Freemasonry in the United States, who were more skilled in ritual tinkering than in the History of Freemasonry. This becomes especially apparent when one remembers that the ephemeral Grand Lodge of York never chartered a single lodge in America. The Freemasonry of the United States began under the Provincial Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, then under the Grand Lodge of England (Moderns), with Price as Grand Master. The Grand Lodge of England (Ancients) and the Grand Lodge of Scotland chartered lodges in America, and it is reasonably possible that before the union of the two Grand Lodges of England the Royal Arch and the Masonic Orders of Christian Knighthood were conferred in this country by the military lodges connected with the Irish regiments stationed in the colonies. To sum it all up, our so-called York Rite is the English Rite dressed in more fantastic clothing.

The name "York Rite" should be eliminated and the name "English Rite" substituted. In view of the foregoing facts as to what constitute a Rite, we, in the United States, are practising or have formulated an American system of the English Rite—not an American Rite, as it is frequently erroneously called, but a system of degrees of the English Rite; it should be known as the English Rite, or Anglo-Saxon Rite.

Here endeth the Fourth Lesson,

Fraternally submitted,

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TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS TO EACH
ONE THOUSAND MASTER MASONS, WITH THEIR RELATIVE RANK

| State or Province | Number of Master Masons | Number of Royal Arch Mascons | Number of Royal Arch Masons per thousand Master Mascons | Relative Rank |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| <i>Commonwealth of Canada</i> | | | | |
| Alberta, 1917 | 7,984 | 1,872 | 249.2 | 2 |
| Canada, 1917 | 66,070 | 19,601 | 298.1 | 1 |
| New Brunswick, 1917 | 3,806 | 880 | 225.9 | 4 |
| Nova Scotia, 1917 | 6,927 | 1,614 | 233.0 | 3 |
| Quebec, 1917 | 8,491 | 1,811 | 213.0 | 5 |
| <i>United States of America</i> | | | | |
| Alabama | 27,916 | 4,400 | 157.6 | 49 |
| Arizona | 2,668 | 772 | 289.2 | 21 |
| Arkansas | 20,766 | 4,378 | 211.6 | 40 |
| California | 57,856 | 13,608 | 234.9 | 33 |
| Colorado | 18,175 | 5,742 | 315.6 | 12 |
| Connecticut | 25,983 | 9,877 | 380.2 | 3 |
| Delaware | 3,541 | 1,222 | 345.1 | 9 |
| Florida | 12,724 | 2,538 | 200.0 | 46 |
| Georgia | 42,749 | 9,236 | 216.2 | 37 |
| Idaho | 4,811 | 1,339 | 278.6 | 26 |
| Illinois | 148,055 | 43,248 | 292.1 | 19 |
| Indiana | 73,720 | 19,519 | 264.6 | 27 |
| Iowa | 53,969 | 14,079 | 261.4 | 29 |
| Kansas | 45,684 | 11,221 | 245.0 | 31 |
| Kentucky | 43,387 | 9,831 | 226.3 | 36 |
| Louisiana | 17,768 | 4,095 | 230.1 | 34 |
| Maine | 31,328 | 10,536 | 336.4 | 10 |
| Maryland | 17,112 | 4,133 | 241.5 | 32 |
| Massachusetts | 70,254 | 25,066 | 357.5 | 7 |
| Michigan | 82,551 | 24,833 | 300.0 | 16 |
| Minnesota | 31,903 | 9,496 | 297.4 | 18 |
| Mississippi | 20,334 | 4,272 | 210.0 | 41 |
| Missouri | 66,853 | 15,237 | 227.5 | 35 |
| Montana | 8,981 | 2,362 | 263.0 | 28 |
| Nebraska | 23,664 | 5,105 | 215.2 | 39 |
| Nevada | 1,977 | 492 | 249.0 | 30 |
| New Hampshire | 11,058 | 4,599 | 416.2 | 2 |
| New Jersey | 42,257 | 7,917 | 187.4 | 47 |
| New Mexico | 3,737 | 1,171 | 312.9 | 14 |
| New York | 197,423 | 41,222 | 209.0 | 42 |
| North Carolina | 25,030 | 3,953 | 158.1 | 48 |
| North Dakota | 10,055 | 2,885 | 287.1 | 23 |
| Ohio | 107,039 | 39,136 | 365.2 | 6 |
| Oklahoma | 27,788 | 5,655 | 203.5 | 43 |
| Oregon | 14,779 | 4,189 | 283.2 | 25 |
| Pennsylvania | 120,576 | 35,961 | 298.5 | 17 |
| Rhode Island | 9,466 | 4,641 | 490.3 | 1 |
| South Carolina | 16,712 | 3,380 | 202.4 | 45 |
| South Dakota | 11,709 | 3,705 | 316.6 | 11 |
| Tennessee | 28,300 | 5,745 | 203.0 | 44 |
| Texas | 65,809 | 20,502 | 311.5 | 15 |
| Utah | 2,473 | 721 | 291.8 | 20 |
| Vermont | 14,241 | 4,492 | 315.6 | 13 |
| Virginia | 25,547 | 7,341 | 287.8 | 22 |
| Washington | 21,698 | 4,666 | 215.3 | 38 |
| West Virginia | 18,827 | 7,133 | 379.6 | 4 |
| Wisconsin | 31,866 | 12,062 | 377.9 | 5 |
| Wyoming | 3,518 | 996 | 282.9 | 24 |
| District of Columbia | 10,171 | 3,552 | 348.0 | 8 |

Fraternally submitted,

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Chairman Correspondence Committee.

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To Scribes E.

PLEASE OBSERVE AND COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- ¶ Acknowledge to the Grand Scribe E the *receipt* of the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter—one copy is to be retained by the Scribe E and one by each of the three Principals.
 - ¶ The financial year of Subordinate Chapters *ends* the 31st *December*, and Scribes E are required to forward their returns to the Grand Scribe E IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER.
 - ¶ All cheques should be made PAYABLE AT PAR at Calgary.
 - ¶ Write the names of Companions *in full*, plainly, in the returns, so that there may be no errors in filling out the Grand Chapter Certificate. Also see that the AGE, OCCUPATION and PLACE OF RESIDENCE are not omitted. Where deaths are included, THE DATE OF DECEASE should accompany the record.
 - ¶ Send a full list of the officers of your Chapter immediately after installation.
 - ¶ The list of Companions suspended for N.P.D. *must be read out at the next Regular Convocation following the receipt of these Proceedings.*
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Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Alberta

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 1919

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| M.E. Comp. Melvin M. Downey..... | Grand Z |
| R.E. Comp. Norman T. Macleod..... | Grand H |
| R.E. Comp. Hiram Darling..... | Grand J |
| R.E. Comp. John E. Johnson..... | Grand Scribe E |
| R.E. Comp. Edwin C. Dunlop..... | Grand Scribe N |
| R.E. Comp. Arthur W. R. Markley..... | Grand Treasurer |
| R.E. Comp. W. A. Mahaffy..... | Grand Prin. Sojourner |
| R.E. Comp. Jesse Elliott..... | Grand Registrar |

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*The Sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Alberta
will be held in the City of Calgary on Wednesday, the 10th
day of March, 1920, at 10.00 o'clock, a.m.*